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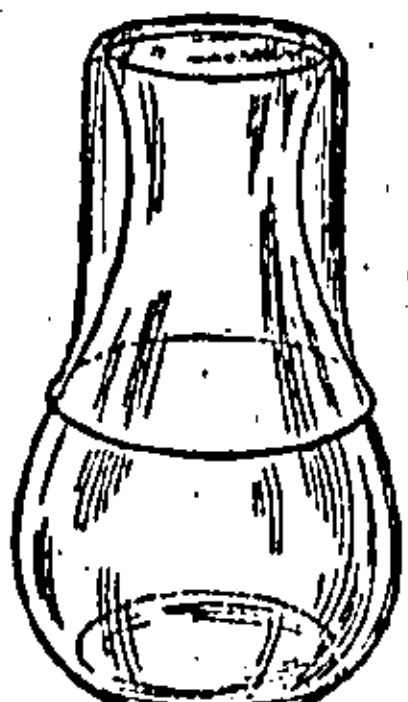
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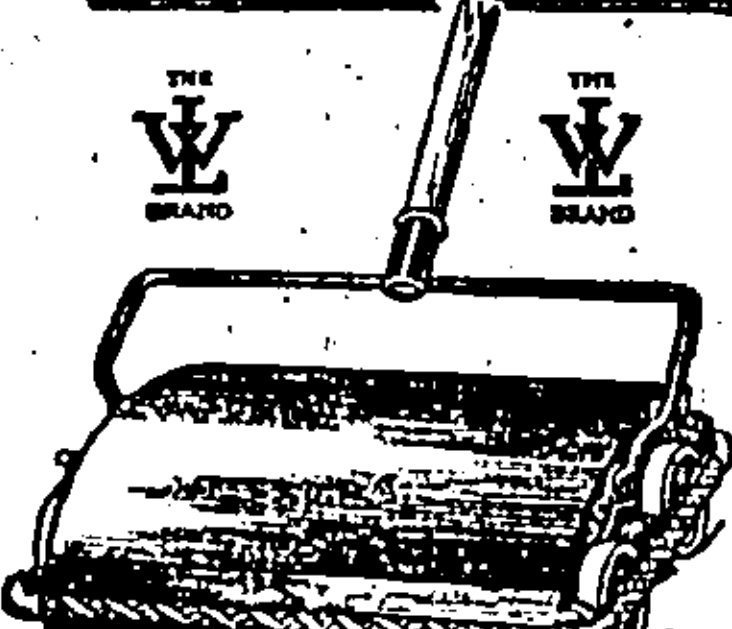
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FORCES IN CHINA.

British Troops From India To Be Withdrawn.

AMERICA'S INCREASED STRENGTH.

Sun Chuan-fang To Attack Chiang Kai-shek.

London, July 5.

The "Daily Mail" states that the Government has instructed the immediate withdrawal from China of the Brigade of British troops sent from India.

The withdrawal has been made possible by the increase in the forces of other Powers in China, particularly the American.—Reuter.

COMING DRIVE.

Sun Chuan-fang Preparing Attack.

Shanghai, July 4. A "North-China Daily News" message from Tsingtau states that a constant stream of troop trains from Tsingtau is bringing Sun Chuan-fang's troops, a hundred thousand of which are concentrating at Tainan.

It is reported that they are preparing a strong drive down the Tientsin-Pukow railway against Chiang Kai-shek.—Reuter.

According to a Naval Wireless message, there has been no change in the situation on the Shantung or Hankow fronts and all Yangtze ports are quiet.

HANKOW POSITION.

Again Reported To Be Very Precarious.

Hankow's position is considered to be precarious, and the situation serious.

In Communist circles it is understood that all efforts will be made to keep possession of Huanan and Hupoh. General Feng Yu-hsiang is to be opposed. If, however, the "Christian General" gets through to Hankow, there will be a general fall back on Kwangtung.

Tang Still Red.

Feng Yu-hsiang has consulted Tang Seng-chi regarding a move on Hankow. Reports state that Tang is still in favour of a Communist regime.

Chang's Plans.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin is reported to have declared that if Yen Shi-shen and Feng Yu-hsiang refrain from attacking Chihli he will give up Shantung.—"Hong Kong Evening Post."

Chiang at Shanghai.

General Chiang Kai-shek paid a visit to Lung-hwa and there inspected his troops, as well as those stationed in Shanghai city. This evening he is taking part in a public dinner and expects to return to Nanking on July 7.

It is reported that a division of the General's army has passed Hai Ho and has begun to attack Koo-fau. Other division of Chiang Kai-shek's troops is reported to have captured Sun Tai.—"Hong Kong Evening Post."

GENEVA PROTEST.

Mr. Chao Hsin-chu and the Naval Conference.

Geneva, July 4. Mr. Chao Hsin-chu has issued a statement that it having been repeatedly reported in Far Eastern papers that the naval conference at Geneva may also consider questions relating to China, he has been requested by the Chinese Nationalist Government to declare that the Government and people of China will refuse to recognise any decision affecting China which may be reached by the present or any other conference at which China is not represented and in whose deliberations she does not equally participate.—Reuter.

TRUTH ABOUT CHINA.

Important Speech by Japanese Minister.

Tokyo, June 30. Speaking at the China Conference which is being held at the Foreign Office under the presidency of General Baron Tanaka, the Japanese Minister to China, Mr. Kenkichi Yoshizawa, remarked "China is still under age politically, and therefore requires occasional correction. Such well-intentioned measures as may prove consistent

with or conducive towards the restoration or development of peace or the unification of China" he added "may be taken accordingly with propriety whenever occasion requires, provided China expresses no explicit opposition."

Other salient points in Mr. Yoshizawa's speech were that no Chinese faction has ever paid respect to the Chinese Constitution and that if the Nationalist Party gets into power it will exclude all the other factions from the government of the country, which will immediately give rise to further troubles.

Secret Parties. He remarked that government by committee does not differ at all from government by a dictatorship and that, under present conditions, no political faction in China can do without military force. He considered that the power of the civil administration and of the police will avail little as there are in China many secret parties, besides labour federations, bandits and other sources of unrest.

In conclusion Mr. Yoshizawa said "Japan must sympathize with the national aspirations of China but must not make a spoiled child of her."

General Muto, Commanding the garrison in the Kuangtung Territory, affirmed that the development of communications and exploitation of the natural resources of Manchuria could not make satisfactory progress owing to the lack of a fundamental policy on the part of Japan. In conclusion he remarked "Japan must have such a policy both for the sake of the natives and for her own sake."

LATEST BOYCOTT.

Japan Not Likely To Withdraw Troops.

Tokyo, June 30. The Foreign Office considers that the anti-Japanese boycott is really the outcome of China's aspirations to secure the independence of her industries and business transactions. Consequently it does not believe that the withdrawal of Japanese troops from Shantung will terminate the movement, though several of the vernacular papers are agitating for their recall.

Though revealing worry at the increasing seriousness of the situation in the Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow districts, official reports reaching Tokyo indicate that the anti-Japanese boycott at Hankow is not very active as the natives there are concentrating mainly against British goods. Demonstration at Wosung. A mass meeting was held at Wosung on Wednesday afternoon under the auspices of the Kuomintang to voice the opposition of the local people to the action of the Japanese Government in despatching troops to China.

A number of soap-box speeches were delivered, the lecturers saying that, if the revolution were to be a success, it was necessary to eliminate Japanese imperialism and, in order to do this, the Chinese people must remain united and fight the affair out to the bitter end by severing economic relations with Japan. "Fight and continue to fight," the speakers shouted, "until the Japanese Government comes to its senses and arrives at terms with our Nationalist Government."

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LONDON'S WELCOME.

Ovation for the King of Egypt.

SCENES AT THE STATION.

London, July 4.

King George, accompanied by the Duke of York, Prince Henry and Prince George, all wearing uniform and the Order of the Garter, headed a brilliant gathering to welcome King Fuad at Victoria Station.

The two Kings, the Prince of Wales and the Duke of York drove



KING FUAD

through cheering crowds in troop lined and beflagged streets to Buckingham Palace.—Reuter.

State Banquet.

Later. There was a brilliant State banquet at Buckingham Palace in honour of King Fuad, the company including Royal personages, diplomats' Cabinet Ministers, politicians of all parties, Lord Chamberlain, Lord Alenby and Lord Lloyd.

The King, toasting King Fuad, expressed close sympathetic interest in the progress of Egypt.

He earnestly hoped that the close friendly Anglo-Egyptian relations would continue to the enduring advantage of the two countries.

King Fuad in reply recognised the important part Britain played in the past for the realisation of progress in Egypt.

Britain the Friend. He said he was sure that in Egypt's new and happy era of independence this progress would continue uninterruptedly and Anglo-Egyptian friendship would be reaffirmed and consolidated still more.

Egyptians had the liveliest admiration for the British nation and very highly valued their friendship.

They were sincerely resolved to consolidate it and to render it more intimate and more fruitful.

The Egyptian Government would spare no single effort to this end.

King Fuad conferred the order of El-Kamel on the Queen, and the King conferred on Sarwat Pasha the G.C.M.G.—Reuter.

Earlier News.

London, July 4. Guns boomed a royal salute at Dover on the arrival of the steamer from France, escorted by destroyers and aeroplanes.

Bringing King Fuad of Egypt, the Prince of Wales, accompanied by a distinguished group, met His Majesty at Dover and escorted him to London where he will open the elaborate programme arranged by Britain to honour her royal visitor.—Reuter.

King Fuad began life under no happy star. The youngest son of a family, his youth was passed in Italy after the debacle of that over-lavish Khedive, and when he returned to Egypt in the Nineties, as a young and rather needy prince—

COAST STRIKE.

Officers Leave Ships At Shanghai.

READY FOR LONG STRUGGLE.

Shanghai, July 5.

The Guilds have withdrawn the officers from B. & S. ships the same as at Hong Kong, only a dozen remaining on board.

Suitable shore accommodation has been provided and the officers assert they are prepared for a prolonged struggle.—Reuter.

Shanghai Situation.

In Shanghai, the vessels of the company that were laid up on July 1 were:

At Pootung:—The str. "Changshaking," "Shantung" and "Ninghai."

At Lung-hwa:—The str. "Ngankin," "Wenchow," "Wuchang," "Whangpu," "Shengking," "Shasi," "Kian," "Chinkiang," "Chusan" and "Ninghai."

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In Dock:—The str. "Hsin Peking."

The str. "Taming" and "Shansi" were due to arrive on June 30 and it was expected that they also would be laid up on arrival.

Vessels of the company which are expected to arrive in Shanghai in the next few days, are the "Poyang" to-day; the "Chengtu," "Linan" and "Nanchang" tomorrow; and the "Tungchow" and "Hanyang" on Sunday.

We understand that it is the intention of the company to have all the fires drawn on the vessels laid up.

No Idea of Duration.

Interviewed, both Messrs. Butterfield and Swire (local agents for the C. N. Co.) and the Guild secretaries in Shanghai, were non-committal and were not prepared to give any opinion as to the probable length of the dispute.

The last strike of ships' officers affecting shipping in Shanghai took place in May, 1916, when vessels of the "big" shipping companies running from this port were held up for about 12 days before the strike was stopped on its being agreed to submit the matter to arbitration.

ling en dispoñibilite, Khedive Abbas Hilmi took compassion on him, and he was appointed Aide-de-Camp to his Highness and nephew, Prince Fuad, as he then was, could have seen no adumbration of the glittering future that awaited him.

Indeed, had his brother-in-law, another Khedive, Prince, taken better aim when he leveled his revolver at him within the portals of the fashionable native club in Cairo, earthly future there would have been none. But Prince Fuad recovered from his dangerous wound, though to this day a curious nervous reaction of the muscles in the throat, half laugh, half cough, is a reminder of this incident.

How He Became Sultan.

For many years Prince Fuad had to find such outlet for his energies as were afforded by presiding over benevolent or charitable institutions.

He ruled the Egyptian private Egyptian enterprise to provide higher education, with more authority than success. And just before the war he was a candidate for the Albanian throne, which he hoped to secure through his influence with the Italian Court. But his chance only came in 1917, and then by accident. His elder brother, Sultan Hussein, died, and his son, Prince Kemal ed Din, renounced his rights of succession. "I have the best wife and the best horse in the world," he is reputed to have said, "Why should I want anything more?"

Gift-Horse of Egypt.

Thus Prince Fuad became Sultan. He was not going to inspect the teeth of this gift horse. On the contrary, he would make it into a far finer steed than any his nephew possessed. He lived through many dark years. He heard the mob more than once howling outside his palace of Abidin and knew that if it had not been for English bayonets another Royal tragedy would have occurred in Cairo. But he sat tight. He became a King. Lord Alenby recognised his infant son as Crown Prince—the first Princess had been divorced many years before. And what was even more satisfactory, his Civil List grew. It was said that he spent no more than one-third of his income, and was able to put by a quarter of a million a year against a possible rainy day.

LOCKED GRILLES.

Captain Wilson's Further Evidence.

CORONER ADDRESS JURY.

The "Leung Kwong" inquest was resumed at the Central Magistracy at noon to-day, when Captain Wilson of the ill-fated vessel was recalled.

The Captain said in reply to Mr. Hall Brutton that he had never given any orders to the No. 1 Guard about locking the grilles over the lower deck and the cargo ports. The witness handed the keys to the No. 1 when the No. 1 joined the ship and had never seen them again or had he ever asked for them. There were altogether three or four keys. He (the Captain) was never told by anyone to lock the lower grilles and cargo ports, and the keys for these grilles were never taken from the witness.

Replying to the Coroner the Captain said that he first took charge of the "Leung Kwong" about six years ago. He never heard or knew anything about the new Anti-Piracy Regulations which came into force in 1914. He had only heard about them since.

The Coroner: You don't think it is your duty as master of the ship to enquire about the new regulations?—The Captain replied that he had known they existed but would certainly have enquired about them. Had he known about the regulations he certainly would not have allowed the lower grilles to be locked. The witness added that it had always been against his conscience to lock these grilles.

Answering another question as to how the No. 1 Guard would know what to do if it did not instruct him, Captain Wilson said that he believed the Guard had received instructions from the police as to his duties.

He was under your control?—Yes, but I never gave him any instructions with regard to the locking of the grilles.

This the Coroner said was all the useful evidence that could be produced at the inquest. He had thought that it would have been possible to obtain some material evidence from one of the officers of the s.s. "Kwong Fook Cheong" but had since ascertained that that officer claimed that his ship was a mile away at the time of the accident, and therefore he was unable to say anything that would help the jury.

The Coroner then proceeded to address the jury on the evidence before them as given by the various witnesses immediately concerned in the collision, and also dealt with the law on the point of returning a verdict of manslaughter on any person of persons.

After warning the jury that any knowledge which they might have about the findings of the Marine Court of Inquiry must be put out of their minds and not under any circumstances be taken into consideration for the purpose of the inquest, Mr. Lindell proceeded to deal with the verdict of "death by misadventure," and said that it was open to the jury if they returned such a verdict to add any rider which they thought necessary from the evidence they had heard.

The inquest was then adjourned until noon on Saturday next for the jury to consider their verdict in the meantime.

[A report of yesterday afternoon's proceedings appears in our shipping section.]

FAST DRIVING FINE.

Before Major Willson this morning Mr. D. Thomson, of the Dairy Farm Company, was summoned for driving motor cycle No. 116 in a dangerous manner.

He pleaded not guilty. Sergt. Baker said at 7.30 p.m., on June 23 he was driving a police motor cycle in Praya East at 18 m.p.h., when the defendant passed him at the junction of Gresson Street and carried on up to Murray Barracks at a speed of between 25 and 26 m.p.h.

Defendant said he could not have been going at that high speed in view of the fact that he had to practically stop three times on account of passing trams and a motor car.

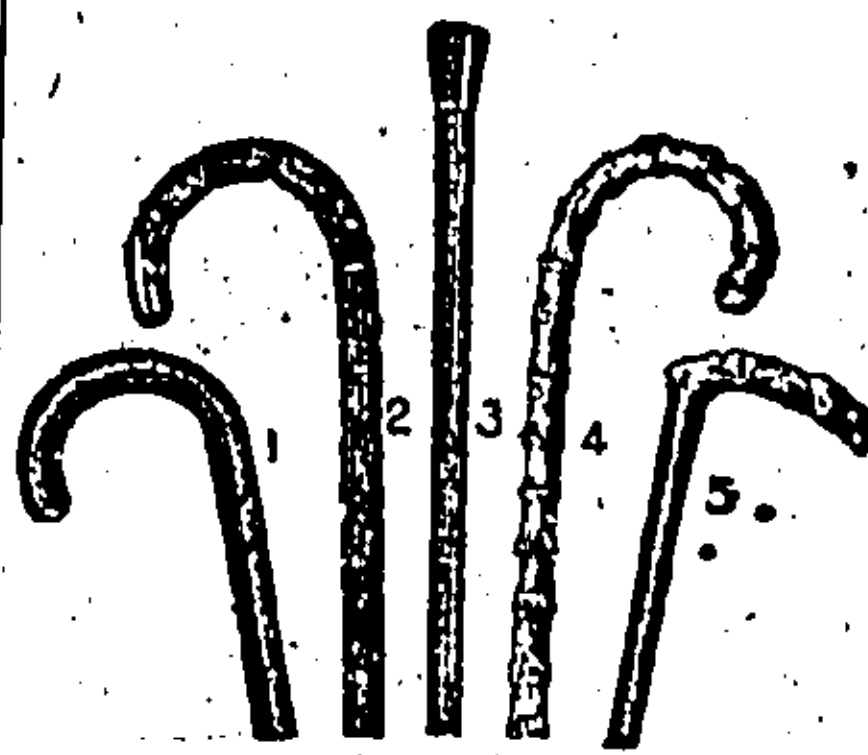
The Magistrate said he believed the defendant had been driving fast, and imposed a fine of \$10.

FAIR WEATHER.

"South winds, moderate, fair," is the official weather forecast for the next 24 hours.

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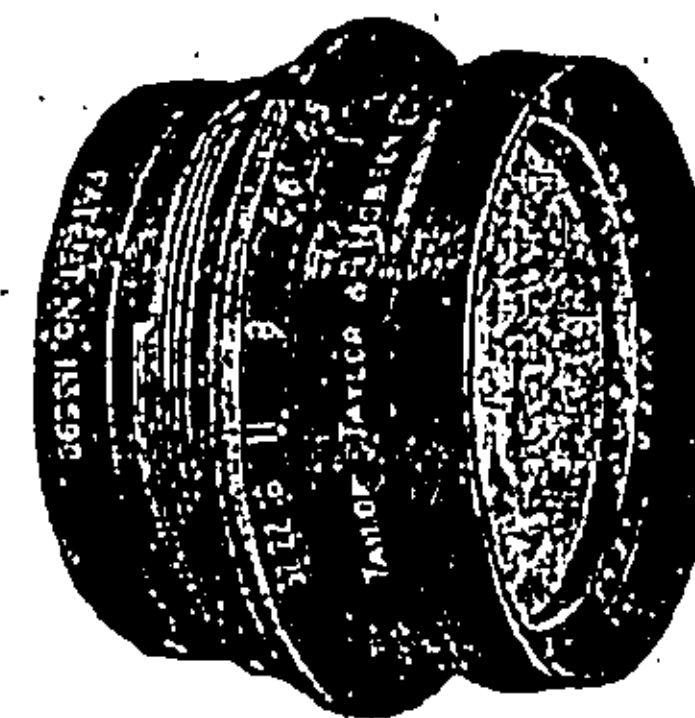
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HAPPY VALLEY OBSEQUIES

The funeral of Mrs. H. A. Stout, wife of Mr. H. A. Stout, of the Simplex Plaster Company, took place at Happy Valley Cemetery yesterday evening, a short service being held in the Protestant Chapel by the Rev. W. Walton Rogers, Vicar of St. Andrews, Kowloon.

The remains are to be cremated. The chief mourners were Mr. H. A. Stout (husband) and Master Stout (son), and among many friends present were: Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Harper, Mr. and Mrs. Walker, Mr. F. W. Foster, Mr. A. W. Ingram, Messrs. E. D. and C. L. Shank, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Warren, Mr. W. Jackson, and members of the staffs of the Simplex Plaster Company and the Hong Kong Excavation, Pile Driving and Construction Co., Ltd.

Floral Tributes.

There was a wealth of floral tributes sent, including the following:—

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PRIVATE ROAD TRAFFIC.

Having secured the advice of the Crown Solicitor, Mr. W. Schofield yesterday gave his decision at the Kowloon Magistracy on the question of liability for violations of the Traffic Regulations on private roads. His Worship found that the fact that the road was private did not destroy the case.

The question arose in the case in which Mr. W. Treskin prosecuted the driver of a tractor owned by the Hong Kong Excavation, Pile Driving and Construction Co., for dangerous driving on Montague Road, Kowloon Tong. Mr. C. Shank, manager of the Company, held that the road was private property.

This point, as stated, was disposed of yesterday, and his Worship imposed a fine of \$5 on the driver.

My position as President of the Royal Academy is not exactly a bed of roses, or, if so, roses are associated with thorns, and sometimes these stick out in very prominent places.—Sir Frank Dicksee.

A TORN NOTE.

SUCCESSFUL CLAIM FOR \$1,860.

SUPREME COURT CASE.

A torn promissory note formed the subject of a Supreme Court action yesterday when Tsang Shing, building contractor of 14, Fook Shau Lane, sued Fung Cheuk-sun, dentist, 166 Wellington Street for \$1,860.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster appeared for plaintiff and defendant was not legally represented. It was stated in evidence that when defendant agreed to pay some of the money on deposit, the promissory note was handed to him for endorsement, whereupon the defendant began writing a cancellation. A struggle ensued for possession of the document, it was alleged, in the course of which a corner of the note bearing the signature of the defendant, was torn off.

After hearing the evidence, His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff with costs.

ALLEGED THREATS.

AN INTIMIDATION CHARGE FAILS.

"I am a bona fide business man. I won't join your society." This is what a furniture dealer of Square Street said he told a group of alleged members of a Triad Society who "invited" him to join the society. Then he was assaulted by six or seven of them.

The sequel was heard in Major C. Willson's Court yesterday afternoon when one of the alleged assailants was charged with inducing the complainant by threats to join the "Woo Kay Triad Society, and with assault.

The man who was defended by Mr. F. H. Losely entered a plea of "not guilty."

After the evidence for the prosecution had been heard, Mr. Losely laid stress on the difference between the story told in Court and that told to Inspector Shaftain. He submitted that he had no case to answer because they had had no evidence that the society, the complainant "was invited to join was a Triad Society. With regard to the alleged assault, the complainant was not certain what he was assaulted with, while the fact must be a man who could see from the back of his neck since he could tell it was the defendant who had struck him with a hammer, although he was admittedly struck from behind.

The Magistrate agreed that the evidence was not conclusive, and discharged the accused.

SUMMER AND THE CHILD.

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TAXICAB LICENCES.

THE QUESTION OF WHO IS RESPONSIBLE.

POLICE COURT QUERY.

Who is the licensee of the taxicab which knocked down the 5-year-old daughter of Sub-Inspector and Mrs. Phillips? This is the question which is now engaging the attention of Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy.

Last week the case was adjourned when a Chinese from the Kowloon Taxicab Depot denied that he was the licensee, and claimed that Mr. A. H. Rowe, manager of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Taxicab Co., was the responsible person.

When the case was again called yesterday, Mr. Rowe answered the summons, but denied responsibility. He stated that the taxicab in question was not licensed on his instruction, although the licence bore his name. None of the vehicles was his, and it was only for the convenience of the Police that his name appeared on the records. The person actually responsible, he held, was the lessee of the vehicle. Mr. Rowe stated that he had in fact objected to his name being put on licences. His Company merely leased the taxicabs for service, and have nothing more to do with them. They had nothing to do with the running of the taxis, and the drivers were not employed by them, therefore they could not be responsible. The man who was in Court the previous week, Mr. Rowe suggested, was the responsible party.

After further discussion the Magistrate again adjourned the case for a week, for further enquiries to be made.

ENTERIC FEVER.

HIGH INCIDENCE IN COLONY.

There were seven deaths in the Colony from notifiable diseases during the week ended July 2, one from small pox, four from enteric fever and two from cerebro-spinal fever. There was also one death from influenza, which is not a notifiable disease.

Altogether 14 cases of disease were reported, ten being of enteric fever, among which were one British, one Indian, eight Chinese and one imported case.

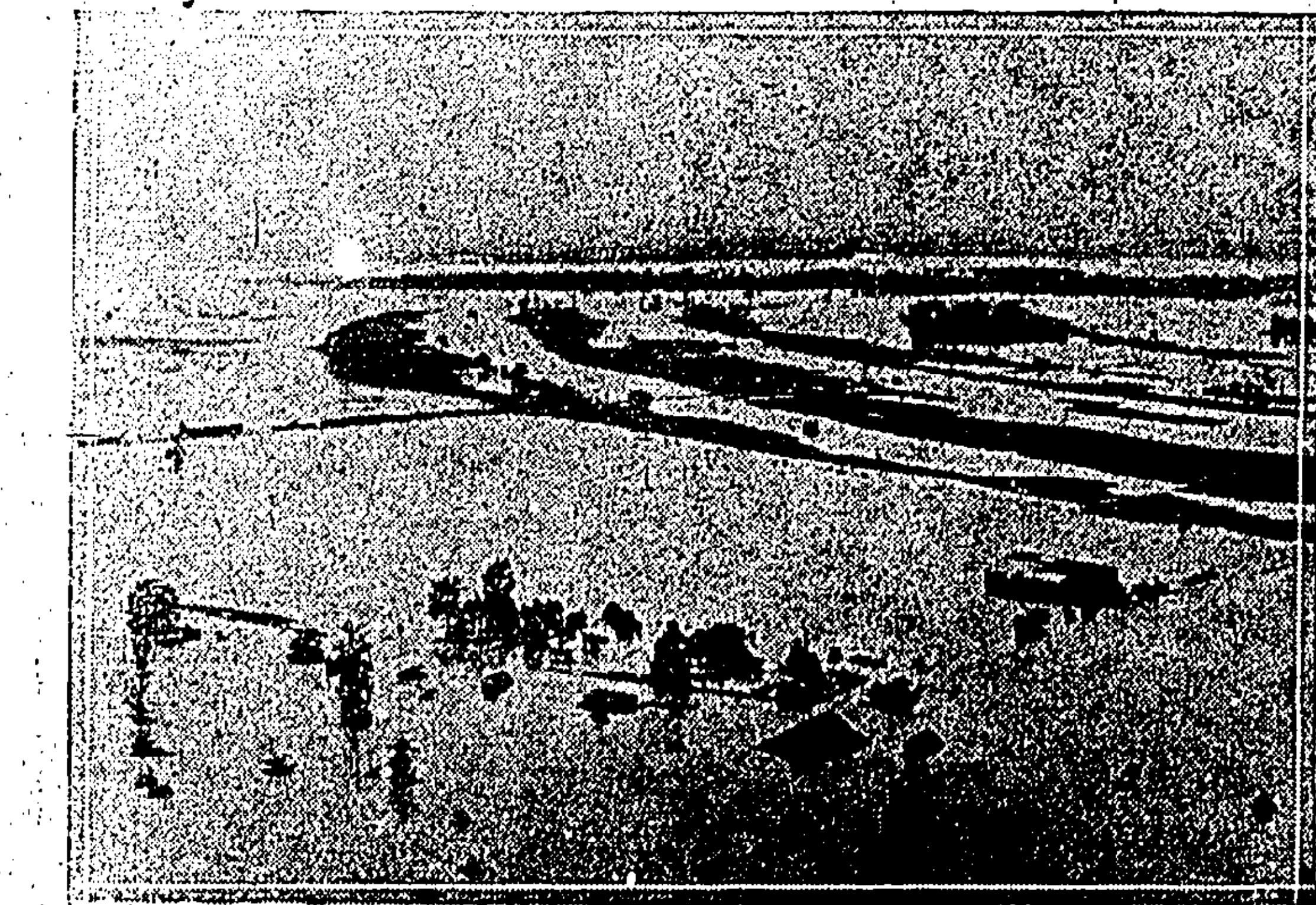
There were two cases of enteric fever among Chinese reported yesterday.

A JUDGE'S PENCIL.

While taking notes at the Edmonton County Court, Judge Crawford twice broke his pencil. Handing a bundle of pencils to the clerk the judge leant back in his chair and exclaimed: "Unless the Treasury supply better pencils I shall refuse to take a note of any case. Such are the finances of this country that we cannot even get pencils which are fit to write with. I will not take a note at all unless better pencils are provided."

For some moments the clerk was busily occupied sharpening pencils, and handed the judge three with long points.

Shanghai papers record the death of Mr. R. C. Farbridge, who passed away in the General Hospital after a short illness. At the time of his death Mr. Farbridge was 57 years old and for the past 29 or 30 years has been a resident of Shanghai. He originally came out to Shanghai for the firm of Messrs. Holliday, Wise & Co., a well-known Manchester firm (now Holliday & Co., Ltd.) with whom he remained for three years. After leaving that firm he became a broker, the occupation which he has followed since until the time of his death, being connected as a partner in the firm of Messrs. Farbridge & Reynell, bill and bullion brokers.



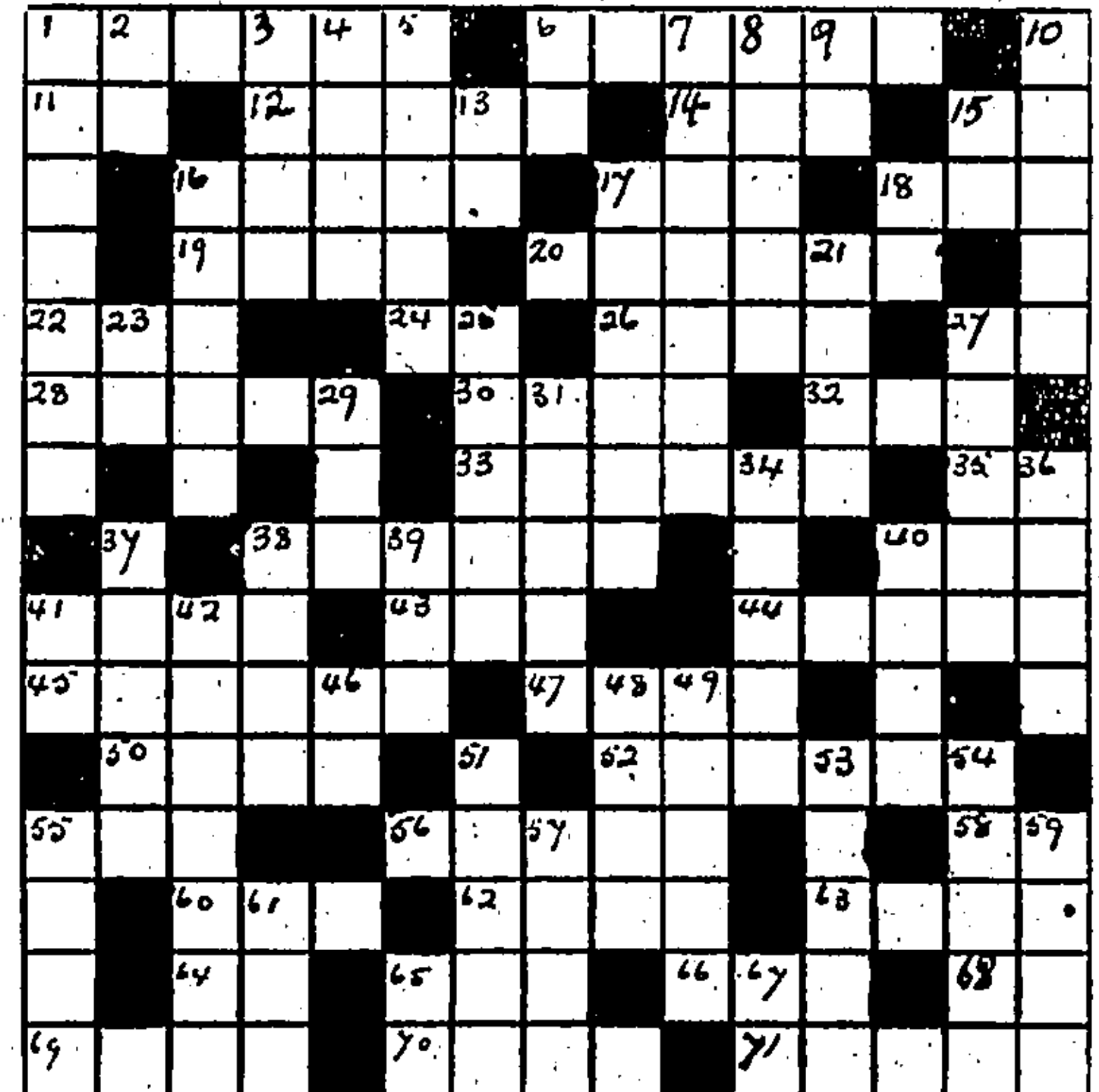
Such scenes as this greet the eye in the country surrounding the Mississippi River. This photograph, taken thirty miles south of East St. Louis, shows to what extent the country is being damaged by the floods. Millions in property have been lost. Navigation on the Mississippi is almost impossible.

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- | Across. | Down. |
|--|---|
| 1. Floating. | 1. Salt formed by the union of nitric acid with a base. |
| 2. To draw over. | 2. Indefinite article. |
| 3. Inside. | 3. Capable. |
| 4. Penetrated. | 4. A corner. |
| 5. U. T. E. (Actual). | 5. Volcanic earth or sand rock. |
| 6. Doctor (abb.) | 6. Guided force producing mesmerism. |
| 7. To look steadfastly. | 7. Guidance. |
| 8. Perform. | 8. Outer. |
| 9. King (French). | 9. Religious denomination (abb.) |
| 10. Prolongs. | 10. A prickly plant or shrub. |
| 11. To oppose. | 11. And (French). |
| 12. Girl's name. | 12. Act. |
| 13. Provided that. | 13. A man of a particular turn of mind. |
| 14. Positive. | 14. Away. |
| 15. Alternative. | 15. R. D. (Actual). |
| 16. Snakes. | 16. Remainder. |
| 17. A projecting wharf or landing place. | 17. To forerun. |
| 18. Rested. | 18. Impetuous. |
| 19. Interiors. | 19. Pertaining to elves. |
| 20. Towards. | 20. Vessel used only for racing, pleasure trips, etc. |
| 21. A virginal. | 21. Eagle's nest. |
| 22. To make brown. | 22. Two foot cloth. |
| 23. Bear. | 23. Dregs. |
| 24. Corded fabric. | 24. Writing fluid. |
| 25. To entangle. | 25. A. C. (Actual). |
| 26. Heedless. | 26. I. G. (Actual). |
| 27. Conformable to fact. | |
| 28. Despatch. | |
| 29. The right which the eldest coparcener of lands has to make the first choice in dividing a joint inheritance, on the ground of age. | |
| 30. A destructive fall. | |
| 31. A contraction of "old" or "alt." | |
| 32. Chinese musical instrument. | |
| 33. Prefix meaning before. | |
| 34. A defect. | |
| 35. Printers measure. | |
| 36. Ancient name of a gum. | |
| 37. R. I. A. (Actual). | |
| 38. Personal pronoun. | |
| 39. To jerk. | |
| 40. A chamber fellow. | |
| 41. Bloodsucking flies. | |

Competitors are reminded that the prize is to be awarded for the correct solution, or if nobody succeeds in getting the correct solution, for the NEAREST correct solution. Therefore, even if you have not done the cross-word puzzle in full, send in what you have done—it may prove to be the nearest correct solution.

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"LEUNG KWONG" EVIDENCE.

When the "Leung Kwong" inquest was resumed at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, the Coroner (Mr. R. E. Lindsell) announced that 39 skeletons, or practically skeletons, had been found on the foreshore at Kwongghau Island, between Hong Kong and Cheungchau, and these corpses were probably those of victims of the sinking of the "Leung Kwong." It is probable that the bodies were those of people who had been trapped by the locked grilles, and were released when the "Leung Kwong" broke her back as the result of the attempts which had been made to raise her. News had now been received that the vessel had been definitely abandoned.

Marine Surveyor's Evidence.
The first witness heard yesterday afternoon was Mr. William Russell, Government Marine Surveyor, who was re-called. The raft on the "Leung Kwong" he said, could carry 11 persons each, but could support many more. By that he meant that the raft could float with 11 persons sitting on it, and at the same time support a much bigger number of people who might hang on to it while in the water. With regard to the grilles, the witness told the Coroner that it was entirely a matter for the master and officers of a ship to see that they were not locked. It was not the duty of the witness's department to find out whether grilles were locked or not during a voyage. Of the six Government Marine Surveyors two were at present on leave and one was in hospital. This number the witness did not consider inadequate. Besides other duties, one man was in charge of surveying 600 launches twice a year.

Harbour Master's Views.
Following an invitation by the Coroner, Lieut.-Comdr. Hole (Harbour Master) also went into the witness box. He said that he was not satisfied with the classification of the waters between Hong Kong and Canton as estuary water. The waters just beyond the western entrance were something of a sea. A boat going to Macao, after passing Lantau had quite a nasty little sea from the western extremity of Macao.

By the Coroner: The witness did not think the Board of Trade would license ships like the "Leung Kwong" to ply with her equipment in these waters. The B.O.T. regulations applying to ships plying between Portsmouth and Ryde

were stricter, and that water was quite landlocked. His differentiation was that the water here is open to ocean swell.
By Mr. Holmes: The witness did not notice that the sea in both the ports of Portsmouth and Ryde was bigger than in the Hong Kong harbour even in a typhoon. The witness had worked for two years in a torpedo boat in the Solent, but he had never experienced anything like the sea he had experienced here even last Friday, just outside the western entrance.

River Steamer Inspection.
Proceeding, Commander Hole said that since the 1924 regulations only half the river steamers in Hong Kong had been inspected by the Harbour Department. He did not consider that the time taken over the inspection was exceptionally long, as his staff had other work to do. It was given in evidence at the Sunning Piracy Commission that it would take an executive officer of the Harbour Department, in conjunction with the Government Marine Surveyor, their whole time over at least six months to finish the work, without doing anything else.

Locking the Grilles.
The No. 1 Indian Guard was also re-called. He said that when he joined the "Leung Kwong" the master gave him a bunch of keys and told him to lock the grilles when the ship was at sea. The witness had also been instructed by the captain to keep the keys himself, and had done so ever since he joined the ship. The witness also stated that the standing orders to the No. 1 Guard was read to him by an Indian interpreter. He remembered one instruction was that the captain was to be strictly obeyed. These orders did not contain anything about grilles.

Having objected to the suggestion of Mr. Russell that the Master and Officers of the ship should have seen to the locked grilles, Mr. Hall Brutton intimated that he would like to re-call Captain Wilson.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Nyanza" left Singapore for this port on June 2, at 5 p.m., with the outward mails, and is due here on June 7, at about 5 p.m.

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The following vessels of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes are expected here:—"Paul Lecat," to-day.
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WHY A FUNNEL?

ITS USES ON A MOTOR SHIP.

On the occasion of the launch of the "Port. Gisborne," Mr. J. R. Rooper, a director of the Commonwealth and Dominion Line, the owners, stated that they were sometimes asked why they retained the funnels on their motor ships. His reasons are worth recording. He said that one was due to the fact that they were proud, to carry their distinctive colours, whilst another factor was that the funnel acted as a ventilator to the engine-room and served as a receptacle for the silencers.

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July 5 to 11, 1927.

DATE	HIGH WATER		LOWER WATER	
	Standard Time	Ht.	Standard Time	Ht.
July				
Tues. 5	2 7	3.9	8 55	2.7
Wed. 6	0 30	5.8	8 38	1.5
Thurs. 7	3 58	4.2	7 13	3.9
1	1 56	5.2	9 13	1.9
2	4 43	4.5	9 15	4.0
3	2 14	4.7	9 57	2.2
Fri. 8	5 19	4.3	11 39	2.4
Sat. 9	5 42	5.2	0 20	3.1
1	5 38	4.0	11 19	2.8
Sun. 10	5 5	5.6	1 10	2.5
2	6 38	3.9	11 58	2.8
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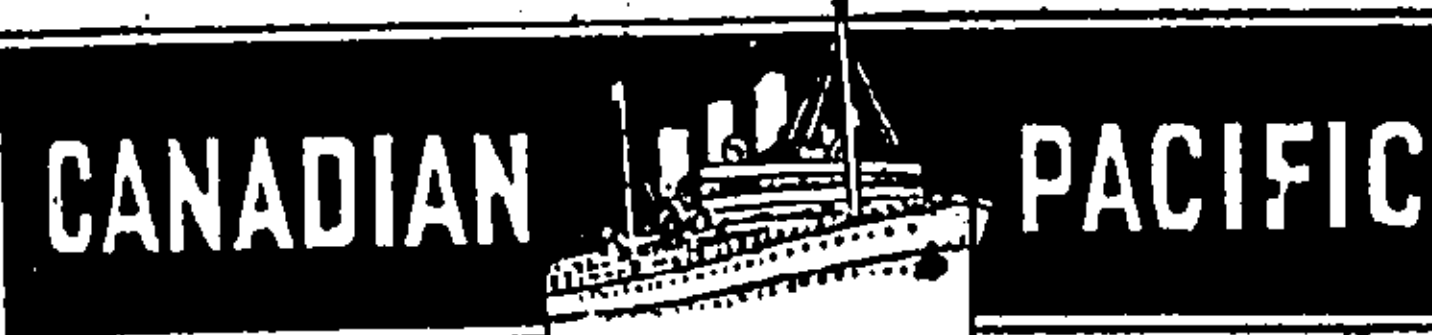
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EMPRESS OF ASIA	Sept. 14	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 23	Oct. 2
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Oct. 5	Oct. 8	Oct. 11	Oct. 14	Oct. 23
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 26	Oct. 29	Nov. 1	Nov. 4	Nov. 13
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	Departure	Friday	"	24 3 a.m.
JAMBONGAN	Arrival	Friday	"	24 noon
	Departure	Sunday	"	26 5 a.m.
JESSELTON	Arrival	Monday	"	27 6 a.m.
	Departure	Monday	"	27 5 p.m.
KUDAT	Arrival	Tuesday	"	28 6 a.m.
	Departure	Tuesday	"	28 9 a.m.
LAHAD DATU	Arrival	Wednesday	"	29 4 p.m.
	Departure	Thursday	"	30 5 a.m.
SEMPORNA	Arrival	Thursday	"	30 9 a.m.
	Departure	Friday	July	1 6 a.m.
TAWAU	Arrival	Friday	"	1 noon
	Departure	Saturday	"	2 3 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Arrival	Sunday	"	3 6 a.m.
	Departure	Monday	"	4 midnight
HONG KONG	Arrival	Saturday	"	9 9 p.m.

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TARA	6,322	13th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Osaka
SANTHA	7,764	18th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
RAWALPINDI	15,619	22nd July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
DEVANHA	8,155	5th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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S.S. "CITY OF CHESTER"	Via Suez Canal	14th July.
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TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

The following ocean-going steamers arrived during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. to-day:—

"City of Tokio" (4,426) British, from Durian, Shanghai—Bank Line, Ltd.—20 cases sporting cartridge for Hong Kong, 6,000 tons general cargo (through).

"Kueichow" (1,220) British, from Tientsin, Weihaiwei, B. and S.—16 passengers, 1,782 tons general cargo of Hong Kong.

"Hong Hwa" (1,924) British, from Rangoon, Singapore, Seng Sook Hong—334 passengers, 150 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 1,300 tons general cargo (through).

"President Grant" (8,405) American, from San Francisco, Shanghai, American Mail Line—449 passengers, 736 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 1,880 tons general cargo (through).

"President Van Buren" (6,195) American, from Shanghai—Dollar S.S. Line—188 passengers, 1,800 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 5,630 tons general cargo (through).

"President Jefferson" (8,443) American, from Manila—American Mail Line—562 passengers, 201 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 2,000 tons general cargo (through).

"Hanoi" (739) French, from Fort Bayard, M.M.—76 passengers, 820 tons rice for Hong Kong.

"Vulcanus" (707) Dutch, from Tamsui, A.P.C.—38 tons empty drums.

"Vulcanus" (707) Dutch, from Canton, A.P.C.

"Produce" (743) Norwegian, from Saigon, K. Larsen—7 passengers, 1,420 tons rice for Hong Kong.

"Usuri Maru" (4,464) Japanese, from Milke, Y.K.K.—6,636 tons coal for Hong Kong.

"Shiryo Maru" (5,408) Japanese, from Shanghai, N.Y.K.—192 passengers, 1,049 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

"Cherbon Maru" (2,513) Japanese, from Karatsu, Nanyo Y.K.—13 passengers, 431 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 4,066 tons general cargo (through).

"Sungshan Maru" (1,503) Japanese, from Swatow, N.Y.K.

"Yan On" (664) Chinese, from Hoihow, Wai Hing S.S. Co.—45 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

"Ki Sang" (185) Chinese, from Kongmoon, Wing On S.S. Co.

"Kathe" (906) German, from Canton, Kwong Mow Tai.

Departures.
For Swatow—Fuo Shing, Fei Hu.

For Manila: Wheatland Montana, Ramses, City of Tokio, For Canton—Lungshan Maru, For Dairen—Promise, For Haiphong—New Mathilde, For Singapore—Clare Jensen, Derwent.

For Kwongchowwan—Hydrangea, For Amoy—Tijibodas, For Shanghai—Pres. Jefferson, For Pakhoi—Limchow, For Takao—Nito Maru, For Moji—Arafura.

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CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "Paul Lecat" are reminded by the Agent to send in their claims before July 14, or they will not be recognised.

MARINE NOTICE.

SEARCHLIGHT PRACTICES ANNOUNCED.

The following notice to mariners has been issued by the Harbour Master under date, June 30, relative to military exercises.

It is notified for information that Defence Searchlight practices will be held on Thursday during the month of July and August.

The probable dates during July and August are the 14th and 21st July and the 11th and 18th August, but in the event of bad weather the said practices will be held on the next free Thursday i.e., 23rd July, 4th August or 25th.

In September the practices will be on 20th, 22nd, 27th and 29th.

In October the practices will be held on the same nights as the Royal Artillery are carrying out their practices vide Hong Kong Government "Gazette" No. 140 dated 17th June, 1927, and Notice to Mariners No. 36.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVAL.

Passengers arrived in Hong Kong by the "Shiryo Maru" from Shanghai on July 4 were:—Mr. Chen Geon Chew, Mr. Law Quan, Mr. E. F. Boyens, Mrs. Margaret Mah Lee, Mr. Wah Yip Lee, Mr. Elmer Avery, Mr. Hara Sheji, Mr. I. Duguit, Mr. John Coerleke, Mr. Chan Hong-kwan, Mrs. C. Hong Kwan, Mr. Men Lee Chew, Mrs. M. Lee Cheung, Mr. Raung Che Sam, Mrs. R. Che Sam, Mrs. D. Miss Lily K., Mrs. J. L. Mr. L. Mistr. M. Naftaly, Mr. Lim Way, Mr. A. M. Bautista, Mr. M. Alendogan, Mr. Lee Pan, Miss Yee Me Land, Mrs. Ham Shee, Miss Yee Me Hong, Mistr. Y. Wah Hong, Yee Me Har, Mr. Ouyang Geen Gai, Mr. Lee Lum, Mr. S. Chinoze, Mr. A. Gilbert, Mr. T. Ichibana, Mr. T. Uchiyama, Mr. K. Tsuchioka, Mr. Isaac de Silva, Mrs. Y. Lasham, Miss Mabel Bush, Mr. Ho Him-sang, Mrs. Ho Him-sang, Mr. Chan Sim-pek, Mr. Chu Min.

First-class passengers departed from Hong Kong by the A.M.L. liner "President Jefferson" for Seattle via ports on July 5, included:—Mrs. E. T. Boyes, Mrs. R. and J. Boyes, Mr. G. M. Boyes, Miss S. Boyes, Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. John B. Farrer, the Misses M. and J. Farrer, Mr. E. H. Lydon, Mr. H. C. Lamond, Mr. and Mrs. C. Reich, Mr. J. B. Anderson, Mrs. Sue P. Anderson, Miss Sue M. Anderson, Mr. Francisco Benitez, Mrs. John Conover, Mr. and Mrs. Tohru Fujii, Mrs. L. C. Smith, Lt. Col. H. C. Smith, Mistr. Hule A. Smith, Capt. Boyd L. Smith, Mrs. J. B. Smith, the Misses V. L. and C. Smith, Mr. L. C. Hutt, Mr. G. P. De J. Condo, Mr. F. P. Hallgren, Miss A. L. Garrecht, Miss P. Mateo, Miss H. N. Magness, Miss M. Smith, Miss Y. Y. Van, Miss A. D. Thompson, Miss H. F. McClure, Mr. H. Leon, Dr. C. J. Dos Santos, Miss Carided B. Banez, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Fossum, Mrs. A. and Miss J. Fairfield, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Glanz, Miss E. P. Biren, Mr. L. P. Olaver, Miss C. Profetana, Mrs. E. C. Tai, Mrs. K. V. Chen, Mrs. Woo, Mrs. Foo Ping-shung, Mr. Fuo Ping-yea, Mr. Tsu Pei-pei, Mistr. T. P. Pei, the Misses Y. K. and Y. V. Pei, Mistrs. Q. P. and A. Pei, Mr. L. H. B. Frost, Mr. G. B. Marsh, Mistr. G. B. Marsh, Miss D. Marsh, Mr. H. N. Ferrer, Mr. Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wing-kin, Mistr. H. W. Ho, Mrs. Ho Wing-yuen, Mrs. Ma Wing-chen, Mistr. Ma Wai-kwong, Mrs. Ma Man-kapp, Mistr. Ma (2), Mr. S. Y. Ho, Mr. Y. S. Liang, Miss May L. Thompson, Mr. F. W. Olson, Mrs. V. Le Loen, Miss S. H. Chu, Miss F. C. Hung, Mr. K. W. Hung, Mr. Yee Yick-po, Mr. H. Gid, Father Crossley, Mr. Mah Je-ching, Mr. Mah Wong-mun, Mr. and Mrs. Kwok San-kai, Mr. Coong, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Meyer, Mr. J. S. Gabbay, Mr. F. M. Pinguet, Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Liang, Mrs. Tsang Khoo-po, Miss Moe Tang, Mistr. M. Tsang, Mr. T. K. Tsang, Mr. Leong Han, Mr. Jay Min-kai, Miss W. S. Siu, Mr. Gee Hoy, Mr. Hoew Kai-chun, Mr. Fong Fuyoung, Mr. Lew Wah-on, Mr. Kwan Ping-hang, Mr. Poh Ying, Mr. Wong Wing-dep, Mr. Chew Sin-poy, Mr. Ong Sip-shue, Mr. Tang Thie-hang, Mr. Tang Bing-fay, Miss Alice M. Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Thompson, Dr. G. P. G. Scott, Mrs. F. W. Olson, Miss W. F. Cooke, Mr. Frank Wong, Mr. C. E. Lyons, Mr. Leung Tatt-foo, Mr. T. K. Ching, Mr. P. R. Murray, Capt. D. A. H. Graham, Mr. H. S. Yung, Mr. R. V. Leahy, Miss Lau Mo-yue, Mr. S. C. Harry, Mrs. H. C. Harry, Mr. Ho Wing-king, Mr. and Mrs. Leong Yew.

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North River at Tsingyuen	28.7"	0"	+6.7"	+11.4"
North River at Sanahui	27.3"	0"	+8.2"	+8.8"
East River at Sheldung	15.2"	0"	+6.7"	+8.0"

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"CHICHUEN" ON THE ROCKS

Shanghai, July 2.

Telegraphic advices received in Shanghai yesterday brought news of a sensational occurrence in the upper reaches of the Yangtze. Briefly stated, the information is that the commanding officer of the s.s. "Chichuen" has been carried off by pirates along with his No. 2 comrade, and they are being held to ransom in a sum of \$20,000.

The s.s. "Chichuen," which belongs to the Yangtze Rapids Steamship Co., was one of three vessels which left Shanghai between June 9 and 14 for Chungking, the others being the "Iling" and the "Iping." About the same time the s.s. "Chiping," "Chilai" and "Chinan," belonging to the same company, were despatched for Ichang, with instructions that passengers and cargo were to be transferred to the first three named steamers at Ichang. Fifteen miles below Ichang the "Chilai" was fired on from the bank, one Chinese passenger being killed and two wounded.

The upper-river steamers were despatched from Ichang on June 24, and the day the "Chichuen" struck a rock at Miaoho—30 miles above Ichang. Further information concerning the "Chichuen" has now reached Shanghai, a Chinese messenger having returned from the ship by junk. He states that Captain Fisher, who commanded the ship, and the No. 2 comrade have been carried off by pirates and that a ransom of \$20,000 has been demanded. Practically all the crew returned to Ichang after the seizure of the captain.

The message received in Shanghai states that salvage work has been discontinued on the "Chichuen," and that her upper deck is now only four feet above the present level of the water. It is feared that should a rise in the water occur the "Chichuen" will become a total wreck.

The other steamers of the Yangtze Rapids Co. have arrived safely at Chungking.

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July 27	Seattle	Aquitania	Aug. 24	Cbrg-Shampton Aug. 30
Aug. 2	San Francisco	Majestic	Sept. 4	Cbrg-Shampton Sept. 9
Aug. 10	Seattle	Mauretania	Sept. 6	Pmb-Cbrg Aug. 12
Aug. 16	San Francisco	Olympic	Sept. 17	Cbrg-Shampton Sept. 23
Aug. 24	Seattle	Berengaria	Sept. 21	Cbrg-Shampton Sept. 27
Aug. 30	San Francisco	Homeric	Oct. 1	Cbrg-Shampton Oct. 7
Sept. 7	Seattle	Aquitania	Oct. 6	Cbrg-Shampton Oct. 11
Sept. 13	San Francisco	Majestic	Oct. 15	Cbrg-Shampton Oct. 21
Sept. 21	Seattle	Leviathan	Oct. 22	Cbrg-Shampton Oct. 28
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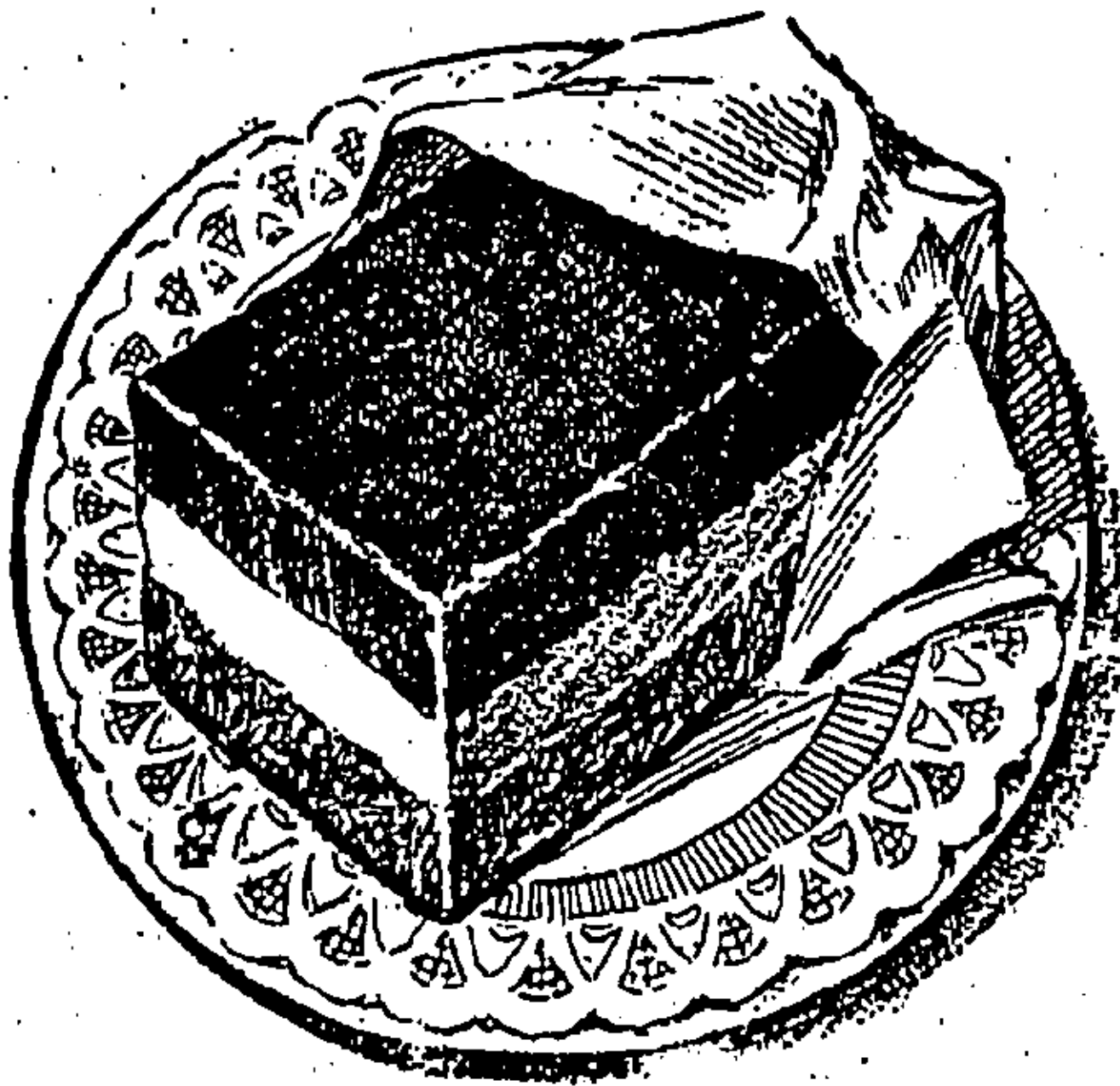
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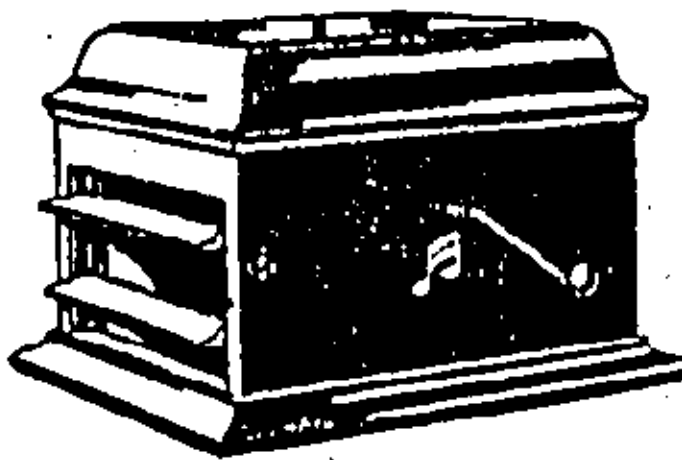
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BIRTHS.

BECKE.—On June 27, 1927, at
Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs.
Thos. J. Becke, a son.

STELLINGWERFF.—On June 28,
1927, at Tangshan, to Mr. and
Mrs. C. J. van Stellingwerff,
twins, son and daughter.

MARRIAGE.

LOWE—GREEN.—On June 25,
1927, at the Brompton Oratory,
Cecil Fabris Denny, younger
son of the late A. D. Lowe,
of Shanghai, and of Mrs.
James Ingram, to Joyce
Blanche, elder daughter of the
late Herbert E. Green, of Kobe,
and of Mrs. Charles A. Fraser,
of 69 Crystal Palace Park Road,
Sydenham, London, S.E. 26.

DEATHS.

BETENEZ.—On June 30, 1927, at
Shanghai, Josephine Rodriguez
Betenez, aged 87.

COOK.—On June 28, 1927, at
Shanghai, Stella Irene Cook,
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H.
Cook, of Wuhu, aged eight
years.

FARRIDGE.—On June 28, 1927,
at Shanghai, Robert Cridland
Farridge, husband of Lillian
Stuart, aged 57 years.

FLOG.—On July 1, 1927, at Shang-
hai, Dr. Martin Flog, aged 34.

Hong Kong, Tuesday, July 5, 1927.

THE FLYING AGE.

According to advices received
in Hong Kong, twenty-two
aviators at Dallas have filed ap-
plications to enter the air race
from Dallas to Hong Kong, for
which a prize of \$25,000 has been
offered. While it is unlikely that
all twenty-two entrants will
start, the fact that so many
should have come forward is not
a little significant. The flying
age, which made its first big ad-
vance in the public mind with
Bleriot's historic flight across the
English Channel in 1909, is now
a recognised fact. The conquest
of the Channel has been followed
by the conquest of the Atlantic,
and this in turn is to be followed
by the conquest of the Pacific.
Flights over great stretches of
ocean are becoming the order of
the day. Besides the \$25,000
prize being offered in the race
from Dallas to Hong Kong, a

scheme is afoot to raise a prize
of \$50,000 for the first commer-
cial aeroplane to fly from Detroit
to London with a load equivalent
to five passengers. The sponsor
of this scheme declares that the
idea is to encourage the building
of planes capable of practical com-
mercial flights instead of flights
where one or two men carry a
load of gasoline. The sponsor of
the scheme admits that no
plane capable of such practical
commercial flight is being built at
present, but he points out that
the prize won by Captain Lind-
bergh had been available for
eight years. There is no doubt
that this scheme is based on the
right lines: it is the logical
sequel to the flights of Captain
Lindbergh and the British airmen
who blazed the trail across the
Atlantic. No praise can be too
high for these gallant pioneers.
They proved that the great ad-
venture could be accomplished
and they stirred the imagination
of the world. The time is now
coming, however, when an at-
tempt must be made to carry
their efforts a stage further. The
Atlantic and the other great
oceans must be crossed by planes
carrying more than a load of gaso-
line—by planes taking passengers
and light cargo. When this has
been done the flying age will have
arrived in full truth and distance
will have ceased almost to count.
What that will mean to a distant
outpost like Hong Kong needs not
to be pointed out, for the Colony
will have become a neighbouring
city to London and New York.

A Postal Order.

Although we do not make a
practice of concerning ourselves
in the correspondence published
by readers in other newspapers,
we feel called upon, for once, to
refer to the letter published in a
contemporary yesterday, which
was signed "Bottom Dog." This
gentleman (we presume the
writer was of the masculine gen-
der) tells of his return to Hong
Kong and of his efforts to cash
an English postal order. He
says: "A large horde of em-
ployees [at the Post Office] on the
first floor eventually awarded me
about ninety per cent. of the
Order's face value. . . . Now
this gentleman was fortunate,
and this is why. We possess a
British Postal Order. It has a
face value of twenty shillings and
was forwarded to us by a sub-
scriber to the "Overland Mail"
from a place called Millport.
It is dated May 28, so is not out
of date. It is crossed and has the
payee's name properly filled in.
To us, it looks a perfectly good
postal order. Yet the Post Office
authorities in Hong Kong refuse
to charge it, refuse to offer us, in-
deed, anything like ninety per
cent. of its face value. As it is a
crossed Order, it was sent with
cheques, bills and other docu-
ments, to our Bank. Here the
shroff was told to take it to the
Post Office. This he did, and was
informed by the P.O. officials to
take it to the Bank! The Order
was again sent to the Post Office
with a covering chit pointing out
that the Bank had refused admis-
sion to the poor little harassed
Order. And again the P.O. re-
turned it! On this occasion one

of the officials scrawled on the
edge of our chit: "Cannot be
paid without passing through a
bank. (See article . . .)."
Put it to your credit . . .
The dotted lines take the place of
illegibly written and unasked for
advice. So there we are! The
Bank refuses to cash the Order,
and so does the Post Office. The
latter, we suggest, might have
rendered more helpful service if
its officials had explained why
they would not cash a valid Brit-
ish Postal Order. Instead of
which we are told to "put it to
your credit." We know fairly
well as to whose credit the Order
will eventually go, but what is
going to happen to it in the
meantime? Will the Post Office
people send for it when they are
ready to cash it, or do they in-
tend, in due course, to offer a
sensible explanation why they
cannot accept it, written in a
business-like manner and by an
employee who, however little he
may know of Post Office pro-
cedure, can at least write decent-
ly?

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING.

Newspaper advertising as a re-
cognised method of publicity for
commercial purposes is extending
to every sphere, and the fact was
well brought out by Sir William
Berry at the meeting of Allied
Newspapers. He said it was sig-
nificant that the decrease in the
volume of advertising during the
coal strike was relatively small.
Although the advertiser could not
expect them to obtain the same
results from his announcements,
the business men of the country
recognised that they would lose
more by discontinuing than by
carrying on. Great as the in-
crease in the volume of advertis-
ing has been during the past few
years its advantages are even yet
not fully recognised, and he fore-
saw for many years a continual
and progressive development. It
is significant that the great
banks, railway, and insurance
companies are among the late-
comers using modern display ad-
vertising in the Press—a sign
that the value of advertising is
becoming realised in our most con-
servative and powerful institu-
tions. The evidence of the truth
of this statement was borne out
by the figures of revenue and pro-
fits given in the course of the
speech.

"GLORIOUS FOURTH."

GUESTS OF AMERICAN COMMUNITY.

YESTERDAY'S RECEPTION.

There was a large gathering at
the Roof Garden yesterday after-
noon, when the American com-
munity, in celebration of Inde-
pendence Day, was "At Home" to
friends, the gathering numbering
from four to five hundred.

In the absence of the Consul-
General, Mr. R. C. Tredwell, the
guests were received by Mr. H.
Shantz who was supported by the
Vice-Consuls.

Among those who attended were
H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil
Clementi, K.C.M.G., who was accom-
panied by his A.D.C. Capt. C. H.
Steele and Private Secretary, Capt.
B. R. Foster. There were also
present the Hon. Mr. W. T.
Southern, C.M.G. (Colonial Sec-
retary), Mr. Justice J. R. Wood (Act-
ing Chief Justice), members of the
Executive and Legislative Councils
and other Government officials,
members and representatives of the
Consular Corps, and many pro-
minent residents and heads of local
firms.

There was a large gathering of
American residents and friends at
the Hotel in the evening on the
occasion of a dinner given in cele-
bration of the day.

INDIAN YOUTH MISSING.

An Indian youth, named Yacob
Juman Khan (16), employed in
the town office of the Hong Kong
Electric Company has been re-
ported to the police as missing
from his home since June 30. He
drew his salary on that day and
has not been seen since. There is
no clue as to why the lad should
leave home, or where he has gone.
When last seen he was wearing a
white suit and a straw hat. He
is said to be able to speak Eng-
lish fluently.

LITTLE GIRL INJURED.

Suffering from injuries to her
head, and from fractured legs, an
11-year-old Chinese girl was
yesterday taken to the Netherlands
Hospital where she is now in a
serious condition. She was in-
jured by the branch of a tree fall-
ing on her in the grounds of Sir
Robert Ho Tung's house, "Idle-
wild."

HOSPITAL COMFORTS.

The Committee acknowledged
with thanks, receipt of the follow-
ing gifts for the Hospital:—1,000
Cigarettes from Mr. H. F. Winslow,
and parcels of Magazines from Mr.
C. F. Marcel.

TAXI COMPANY.

VOLUNTARY WINDING UP REASONS.

ABSCONDING LESSEES.

Reasons for the announced
voluntary winding-up of the
Hong Kong and Kowloon Taxi-
cab Company, Ltd. were given at
an extraordinary general meeting
of the Company held at the
offices at 35 Des Voeux Road this
morning.

Mr. A. H. Rowe (Managing
Director) presided, and there
were present: Messrs. Chan Lim-
pak, N. Croucher and Sun Pak-
ming (Directors), Messrs. C. A.
Fletcher, A. W. Kew and W. H.
Perry (Shareholders).

Chairman's Speech.

The Chairman said:
The purpose of our meeting
here to-day is, as you are aware
to pass, if you think fit a Reso-
lution for the voluntary winding
up of the Company and to ap-
point Mr. H. R. Cleland (char-
tered accountant) of Messrs.
Lowe, Bingham & Matthews as
Liquidator.

Your Directors regret having
to put this Resolution to you
which they think is necessary
owing to the fact that three
different lessees have endeavoured
to run a taxi service in Hong
Kong but all of them having lost
money have in their turn run
away from the Colony and left
the taxis in a bad state of repair
which we have had to put right
at a big cost to the Company. I
would here mention that when
the taxis were handed over to the
lessees they were in first class
condition and passed and licensed
by the Police for public hire,
also I would mention that we are
claiming damages from the guar-
antor of our last lessees, the
Kwong Tai Company, for damage
done to the taxis and for arrears
of rent due by them.

Under the circumstances men-
tioned your Directors think it
best to wind up voluntarily and
get back any money that may be
coming to the shareholders
rather than carry on and even-
tually have to make another call
of \$2.50 per share.

The Resolution.

The Chairman then proposed
the following resolution as an
Extraordinary Resolution:

"That the Hong Kong and
Kowloon Taxicab Company,
Limited, be wound up volun-
tarily, and that Mr. H. R.
Cleland, C.A., of Messrs. Lowe
Bingham & Matthews be, and is
hereby appointed liquidator for
the purpose of such winding up."

Mr. Croucher proposed an
amendment to the resolution,
i.e. that the name of Mr. John
Fleming be added to that of Mr.
Cleland, as joint liquidator.
On the Chairman indicating
his willingness to incorporate
this amendment, Mr. Croucher
proposed the resolution as
amended and Mr. A. W. Kew
seconded.

The resolution was passed.

The Chairman reminded those
present of the confirmatory meet-
ing to be held on the 20th inst.

\$1,000 CLAIM.

FIRE ENGINE SOLD AT SWATOW.

SUMMARY COURT CASE.

An undefended claim was heard
in the Summary Court this morn-
ing concerning the sale of a motor
fire engine at Swatow.

Bornemann and Co., of Asiatic
Building, Hong Kong, claimed
against Carl Wacker, of Swatow
for \$1,000 for goods sold and de-
livered. The claim, it was stated,
exceeded this amount, but the
balance had been waived to bring
it within the jurisdiction of the
Court.

Mr. F. Orlepp, manager of the
plaintiff firm, gave evidence that
the engine was shipped by the
plaintiffs and delivered to the de-
fendant at Swatow for the pur-
poses of sale. From the proceeds
of the sale by defendant, it was
understood commission would be
deducted, also certain expenses
incurred in connection with the
shipment of the machine. The
balance was to be remitted to the
plaintiffs.

The machine was delivered to
the defendant some time in 1924
and was sold in April of that year,
when the defendant reported the
matter to the plaintiffs, inform-
ing them in May that he had re-
ceived payment on account. De-
fendant had never accounted for
this money, which amounted to
1,600 Taiping taels.

Judgment was given for the
plaintiffs who were represented
by Mr. H. J. Armstrong.

CHARGE AGAINST PARTNER.

The manager of a Jervois
Street silk shop, has reported
that his partner absconded on
June 30 with \$10,000 belonging
to the firm.

P'RAPs-P'RAPs NOT!

A young leopard has been shot
outside a shop in Beira.
The unfortunate animal real-
ised too late this was one of the
spots it could not change.

Perhaps the foreign Powers
may be excused if the "Spokes-
man's" effort arouses in them a
mild surge of optimism for there
is only one thing we really long
for in China and that is a Party
which can maintain supreme
power and can negotiate without
adopting the attitude of the
street corner politician. "I'm not
arguing, I'm telling ye," adds the
"Singapore Free Press."

To an observer of the impulse
which moves the new China of
to-day, it appears that the people
have become imbued with the
spirit which urges children in a
pantry not only to consume all
the milk and jam they can hold
but to spill the rest and break up
the dishes. What must be learn-
ed is how to produce those things
that sustain life, and not only
how to destroy them, says the
"Hankow Herald."

The proud mother and her Boy
Scout son were journeying
through the hop fields of Kent.
Looking intently at the acres of
hop poles, up which the hops had
scarcely begun to creep, the
mother turned to her son.
"Jimmy," she said, "what a lot
of Boy Scouts there must be in
this district?" "Why, Mother?"
"Well, look at the fields where
they are growing Scout staves."

A budding author wrote to a
film producer asking what type
of scenario was most in demand.
The big man replied that the
ideal story should contain an
equal amount of religion, comedy,
social stuff, action, sex interest,
and should in addition be as con-
cise as possible.

The budding author submitted
the following scenario:—
"My God," giggled the Duchess,
"let go of my leg."

Professor Rudolph M. Binder,
head of the department of sociol-
ogy of New York University,
states that a consideration which
should be kept in mind in the
search for the proper wife or
husband is a study of ancestral
traits.

"Certain traits," says the pro-
fessor, "known to the scientist as
"recessive traits," often held in
abeyance for several generations
and entirely forgotten, will sud-
denly reappear in a child. The
study of ancestry should cover at
least five or six generations.
Moral, mental, or physical defects
may assert themselves a hundred
years after they have apparently
disappeared."

A decided optimist advertising
in a Home paper says:—

Will any kindly disposed per-
son give lady advertiser £20,000
to buy freehold and develop
small but growing business on
open air educational lines.
Return intended, but not guar-
anteed.

Was it not Keats who talked
with a hope beyond the shadow
of a dread?

"Gran'father," said the small
boy "who was Shylock?"

"What, boy?" said the old
man, "du yow mean t' tell me
that yow gues reg'larly t' Sun-
day skule an' yow dunno who
Shylock wuz?"

A cyclist was wending his way
along a narrow lane, when a
traveller met him.

"Your beacon has ceased to
function," said the traveller.
"I beg your pardon?"

"Your illumination, sir, is
shrouded in oblivion."
Just then a small boy approach-
ed.

"Hi, mister," he shouted,
"your lamp's gone out."
The cyclist understood.

Storyteller (when the laughter
has subsided): "Have you never
heard that one before?"

Cynical Friend: "Only twice.
Once last year when I told it to
you, and now when you tell it to
me."

"Can you explain to me what
a 'birdie' in golf means?" asked
an ordinary individual of an
enthusiastic golf friend when he
read that Archie Compston, the
English professional, in a round
of 70, had "seven birdies."

"Why, certainly," answered
the golfer. "It is one 'under
bogey.'" Eager further to air his
knowledge, he added: "And two
under bogey is known as an
eagle."

"I suppose," came back the
uninitiated one, "that three un-
der bogey would be called a great
auk?"

"No!" responded the golfer.
"It would be called a dashed
miracle!"

CORRESPONDENCE.

TOMMY'S SMOKES.

[Various readers have written to the "China Mail" regarding a letter which appeared in the last issue of the "Sunday Herald" entitled "Tommy's Smokes" with a request for the publication of their communications in this journal.—Editor.]

A "SCOTCH HOUDINI."

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]
Sir,—Reference to the burning question of "Tommy's Smokes" the letter published in your papers dated July 3, has caused a blaze of indignation in our Regiment. The author is evidently an Aberdonian, or, has been kissed by the Sun. If the Scotch Houdini can purchase Capstan for 15 cents, we poor ordinary mortals cannot. Why does he frequent the Y.M.C.A. if he thinks he is being robbed? Poor deluded fellow, and pals, why spend your money at all, for nowhere in Hong Kong are the services treated so well as in the Y.M.C.A.'s, a home from home. He asks in his letter are the Y.M.C.A. out here to help us, does he mistake the association for a Benevolent Society? It appears so. As he is in a dilemma about the other three cents, we suggest he brings them up to the We might as well in closing, that we appreciate what the "Posh" toffs in the Y.M.C.A. have done for the Services since our arrival in China.
Yours, etc.,
BRITISH SOLDIERS.

GIFT FROM SCOTSMEN.

Sir,—It is very rare that I write to papers, but after reading "Tommy's Smokes" written by "British Boy" I felt that I would like to express my opinion of him, and as his name is not published I have no other alternative but to write an answer through your esteemed paper.

Has "British Boy" ever been in any local Y.M.C.A. and read any periodicals, listened to the gramophone, been entertained by any concert party or used the writing papers or envelope so kindly given free by the Y.M.C.A.? But apart from that, Sir, has he ever given a thought to the homeliness the women workers adopt to try and make this country a "Home from Home" for the troops?

I, and the remainder of my platoon, have subscribed 17 cents so that "B.B." can buy a packet of Capstans from the Chinese shops (Support British Institutions?) Has he that much money, by the way, that he cannot find any use for the odd 3 cents? I would like to tell him but

Just one more item, Sir, and that is to express our gratitude to all the volunteer workers of the Y.M.C.A. and to ask them to take no notice of two or three men, who, perhaps, though it is very doubtful, may have been done for a half-penny.

I may add in conclusion that these 17 cents have been given by Scotchmen.
Yours, etc.,
"AN ADMIRER OF THE Y.M.C.A."

P.S.—If the 18 cents are not given to "British Boy" will you give them to the Y.M.C.A.
[If "British Boy" will call at the office of the "Sunday Herald" or "China Mail" the 18 cents will be handed to him.—Ed.]

15 CENTS—ALWAYS.

Sir,—Will you kindly allow me to encroach on your valuable space—my purpose being to rectify, if possible, an erroneous impression thrown out from your columns in a letter written by a soldier—"British Boy."

I have been in the Colony now some three months. During that time I have been pleased to visit frequently the very pleasant institutes provided in Hong Kong and Kowloon by the Y.M.C.A.

During these visits I have never yet seen a Chinese serve a soldier when "British Boy" says "the boy made him pay 17 cents" he means a "Chinese boy"—secondly I have bought cigarettes (Capstan) from all of the Y.M.C.A. institutes in the Colony—the price I was charged was 15 cents—always.

"British Boy" says, "it's no use talking the Chinaman who sells the cigarettes, as he must have his orders to do so"—why take it for granted that he had his orders to do so without inquiry?

I suggest that had he approached any of the ladies, who are kind enough to help the troops in the Y.M.C.A. buildings—"it would have been of use"—much more use than claiming a valuable half column of your space to voice remarks of a thoughtless and unkind nature.

I think the real truth of the matter is that "British Boy" is not referring to a Y.M.C.A. institute at all but to some other place of refreshment, which he thought belonged to that Association.

If he has a "grouse" against the Y.M.C.A. here, he is one in a

hundred, and I consider that he has been successful, vide his letter, in doing much to dishearten the ladies and gentlemen of the Colony, to whom the other 99 are exceedingly grateful.

I trust you will grant me the favour of publishing this letter in your popular paper.
Yours, etc.,
"A.C."

17 CENTS A PACKET.

Sir,—Looking through the "Sunday Herald" we were astonished to see a column headed "Tommy's Smokes" and on reading the same we were left with the opinion that the letter was forwarded to the paper by a lunatic or a person completely ignorant.

Does the "British Boy" realise that the price of Capstan Cigarettes throughout Hong Kong are 17 cents, and Players Cigarettes 15 cents. At the same time we should all like to know WHERE to obtain Capstan Cigarettes at 15 cents per packet.

In the Y.M.C.A. we have the finest organisation possible to find in this country or elsewhere.

Regarding profits in this concern, does the writer of the obnoxious letter under comment, know that everything in their building is sold at a dead cost price? Also no Bearers (Boys) ever serve in these organisations, all the labour being done by ladies who are good enough to volunteer to do such work.

Perhaps after a little thinking the "British Boy" will realise that he has what Tommy usually says, "Put his foot in it."

"PENINSULAR HOTEL."

"SUN IS STRONGER."

Sir,—Please insert this, if possible, if space is available, in your paper. Please insert Tuesday morning.

When the "British Boy" was at home he paid 6d. for Capstan cigarettes.

In Hong Kong he pays roughly 4½d. and then he is 1½d. in pocket, yet he grumbles about an extra two cents that the Y.M.C.A. is charging.

When he awakens in the morning let him think over where does the Y.M.C.A. cents go to. Its for his (the "British Boy's") amusement.

Let him bear in mind that the toffs (as he so calls them) do not get any of the profits and also the toffs render their services and hard work to the troops comfort FREE, so why should a "British Boy" grumble.

Does he remember Saturday night when the extra two cents Y.M.C.A. gave a concert in the Theatre Royal for the "British Boy's" benefit and comfort and the price was only 20 cents?

When buying cigarettes at the stall ask for Capstan and tender 15 cents, and see what happens. I think you can get Players for 15 cents, but certainly not Capstan from the man in the street.

I have never met a soldier yet who does not grumble (we do ourselves at times) but we do not make frivolous complaints.

Of course the sun is much stronger out here than it is in Blighty, that may account for the senseless crib.

It is quite plain he is new to the East.
Yours, etc.,
"TWA FRAE ABERDEEN."

"DEVOID OF REASONING."

Sir,—Anent the screed from "British Boy" in the "Sunday Herald," I am surprised that you publish such a screed as this for it shames the members of all services at present in the Colony, being devoid of any reasoning or common sense.

If the writer thinks the Y.M.C.A. is "stinging" him his best mode of redress is to see Mr. Hunt or Mr. Ingram and lay his complaint before them, not to blare it forth in the Press, thus making himself and his fellow men look perfectly foolish. In any case, if only he would think (providing it does not hurt him to do so) of the concerts given for his especial benefit, the free service of the ladies, the low charges for comestibles, the Library and Reading Room, the Bathing picnics and the hosts of other equally good things given by the Y.M.C.A. and otherwise unobtainable, such a complaint as his would never be voiced.

I should advise my comrade, no matter what Regiment or Corps he belongs to, to desist from making fools of us all for his views by no means represent the particular Corps to which I belong.

If he cannot convince himself of the good works of the Y.M.C.A. in the Colony he is a dolt of the first order.
Yours, etc.,
"KOMMO."

[Other communications on this subject are unavoidably held over owing to lack of space in this issue.—Ed.]

CHINA NEWS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Commerce be urged to take charge of all Japanese goods now in Shanghai and all on order; that merchants be urged to place all orders and documents for Japanese goods with the Chamber of Commerce within two weeks; and, that in the event of merchants failing to report to the Chamber within the specified time, their stocks of Japanese goods and on order should be confiscated and the proceeds be devoted to the Nationalist war funds.

WUHAN FUNK.

Officials Now All Disowning Communism.

Hankow, June 29.

The ultimatum from Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang and General Chiang Kai-shek to the Wuhan government includes a demand for the abolition of the political power of all labour unions, and the recognition of the supreme power of the Nationalist Government.

All extremists, including the Russian Communists must leave and safe conduct passes are promised them.

If the ultimatum is accepted, the Central Council of the Wuhan Government will be eclipsed. Already many officials disown Communism.

The Boy Scout union was dissolved yesterday.

It is reported that the chief executive of the General Labour Union was arrested this morning.

General Tang Seng-chi is said to have telegraphed to Marshal Feng and General Chiang that he has no connection with the Wuhan Government.

A meeting of the British residents of Hankow, held at the Consulate, decided to remove the War Memorial from its site on the Bund and to re-erect it within the Consulate grounds for the purpose of securing a more effective protection. Permission has been granted for this to be done.—"North China Daily News."

Rough on Boy Scouts.

Hankow, June 28.

There has been a favourable reaction among the general public to a telegram issued by General Tang Seng-chi in which he denounces the peasants' and workers' unions in Hunan and orders their suppression. All the Hunanese troops, which come under the Command of General Tang Seng-chi, have left Wuhan for their own province.

A feeling prevails locally that the excesses of the labour unions will be curbed shortly. Both in official and public circles it is anticipated that there will be great changes both in the constitution of the local government and in its policy during the next few days.

The local boy scouts' union was ordered to disband to-day, the boys being ordered to return their sticks to their headquarters and forbidden to wear their uniforms except on special occasions.—Reuter.

CHANG AND SHANSI.

Hopes from Deputation to Yen Shih-shan.

Peking, July 29.

Ankuochun spokesmen are highly optimistic of the success of the mission of General Ying Shih-shan to Taiyuanfu to plead with General Yen Shih-shan on the Generalissimo's behalf to mediate between Peking and Nanking. Li Ching-fang, one of Yen's representatives at Peking, left by the same train as General Ting.

Marshal Chang himself proposed the despatch of a personal representative to General Yen Shih-shan at a recent meeting of high Ankuochun officials. He was supported by the Premier, Mr. Pan Fu, and the younger set in the Mukden faction.

Ankuochun optimism is based upon the fact that Generalissimo Chang in a recent circular telegram announced his adherence to the Three Principles enunciated by Dr. Sun Yat-sen. It is hoped by the conservative generals that this, together with the elevation of Chang Tso-lin to political dictatorship will ensure some consideration for the prestige and dignity of the North in the hoped-for negotiations.—"N.C. Daily News."

SENATORS' VISITS.

Bingham Returns From Yangtze Trip.

Shanghai, June 30.

Impressed with the apparent stability of the Nanking and Wuhan Governments, Senator Hiram Bingham, returning to Shanghai from his trip of investigation up the Yangtze yesterday intimated that the United States would be justified in re-

cognising all existing governments in China.

Senator Bingham told in detail of his experiences in Nanking and Hankow and said he had walked unescorted through the streets of Hankow without being molested. In Hankow, he said, he attracted considerable attention from passers-by when scrutinising at close range some of the anti-foreign posters, but at no time did any of the Chinese about him make a hostile move.

The Senator also had interviews with Borodin, Sun Fo, Madame Sun Yat-sen, Eugene Chen and declared that he had been impressed by the personality of the Russian adviser to the Hankow government.

Accompanied by his son, Senator Bingham will leave Shanghai within a few days.

Senator Wheeler and Dr. Wu. Shanghai, June 30.

During his recent visit to Nanking, Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana, U.S.A., called on Dr. C. C. Wu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Nationalist Government. In the course of the interview, the conversation touched upon the unfortunate Nanking Incident.

"It was an incident," said Dr. Wu, "which every true Chinese Nationalist has reason to regret—and the regret is the more poignant when the fact is considered that it was the work of men instigated by a third party then sheltering under the aegis of the Kuomintang."

Dr. Wu said that "the Nationalist Government, though not morally responsible, is ready to accept responsibility and to make reparation for the damages sustained by American nationals. This is in accordance with the principle governing the attitude of the Nationalist Government toward all foreign nationals residing in Nationalist territory; that is, it will bear full responsibility for the protection of their life and property."

Dr. Wu said that he had already indicated to the diplomatic representative of the American Government in China the lines along which the Nationalist Government was prepared to settle the matter. He also said that it was desirable that the American Consul in Nanking should return to his post.

With reference to the charge of anti-foreignism and the opposition to American missionaries, Dr. Wu said:

"Nationalist China is not anti-foreign but anti-imperialistic. Indeed, Nationalist China has always been sensible of the beneficent services of American missionaries, especially in the interior of China; their efforts in education and medicine are outstanding examples of American goodwill. The Nationalist Government will welcome back the American missionaries to their respective fields of work, and make amicable adjustments for the resumption of their activities as time and circumstances permit in the regions recently swept by war."

EARLIER NEWS.

Collection of Increased Shanghai Rates.

Shanghai, July 4.

There is no truth in the reports that the French Municipal Council have waived the two per cent. increase in rates which are collectable on July 1.

Already the Council are issuing Demand Notes in co-operation with the International Municipal Council, who have delayed issuing Demand Notes for a few days, owing to the usual clearing-up of the previous quarters' unpaid rates.—Reuter.

YOUTH'S TRAFFIC OFFENCE.

Before Major Willson at traffic time this morning, a 16-year-old European youth named G. H. F. McClay, residing at No. 15, Felix Villas, Mount Davis Road, was summoned on a charge of driving motor cycle No. 596 on June 21 without a licence.

Defendant admitted the offence.

Inspector Alexander said the defendant who was 16 was not entitled to a licence until he reached the age of 18. The cycle the defendant had ridden was not his property. He had been to dinner at Mr. H. R. Weller's house in North Point, and coming out he saw the cycle outside the house. Defendant rode it for several yards and collided with a coolie. Defendant said that he was prepared to compensate the coolie, whereupon the Magistrate imposed a fine of \$5.

Owing to a mistake in the circular detailing St. Peter's Young Men's Club activities for the month, a social for Service men was announced for to-morrow. The Social, in fact, took place yesterday, when there were about fifty present. There will be no social to-morrow, the next being fixed for the 18th inst.

GUNBOAT PIRATES.

Canton River Boat Looted.

CAPTAIN & PASSENGERS HELD.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Samshui, July 2.

The Canton gunboat "Kong Foo," one of the quartette of two-funnelled gunboats built in Hong Kong some 20 years or more ago for the then Chinese Government for patrolling the Pearl and West Rivers, and of late years considered as a fighting unit on the present Canton Naval strength, stopped the Canton-Wuchow passenger and cargo steamer "Man On" on July 2 off the now celebrated pirate stronghold, Tai Ping Sha, which is two hours' sail below Samshui, and relieved her of her anti-pirate armament, viz. four pom-poms and the usual amount of rifles and ammunition. The Captain, comrade and 20 passengers were held for ransom. After the coup the "Man On" was allowed to proceed, and she with seven other steamers under the Nationalist flag have taken refuge in Samshui.

The "Man On," strange to say, was an old British man-of-war, formerly H.M.S. "Esk" or "Tweed," having been sold out of the Navy in Hong Kong some 25 years ago. Formerly she was on the Hong Kong-Wuchow run, but since 1925 has been on her present run.

The "Taiming" arrived in Samshui in the early morning of June 4 followed by the "Chung On," and on receipt of the news arrangements were made to by which both vessels would remain until daylight and then proceed in company for Hong Kong.

On the passage down H.M.S. armed launch "Faulkner" was spoken, above Junction Bend and "Nessus" in Sallano Channel. Neither apparently had heard the news. H.M.S. "Robin" was also passed above Wangmoon.

A passenger boycott, similar to the Canton one, has been instituted at Shuihing against all vessels under the British flag.

SIGNAL TOO HIGH?

Dr. S. C. Ho was summoned for disregarding the signal of an Indian traffic constable at the junction of Arsenal Street and Queen's Road East at 9.05 p.m. on June 25, while driving motor car No. 1089.

According to the constable a tramcar was turning the corner at the time and he turned his signal against the defendant but the latter came on just the same.

Dr. Ho said that the signal was too high for anyone to notice it, especially when one had to keep an eye on the road. He expressed the wish that his Worship would see the signal for himself.

Major Willson agreed and adjourned the summons for a week.

A FALL IN LIFE.

Banished for life from Singapore and Johore, a Chinese with a record of seven years' jail for armed robbery and six months for larceny at Singapore, was this morning convicted by Mr. R. E. Lindell on the charge of theft of a chicken in Centre Street, West Point.

Remarking that the accused had gone down in life from an armed robber to a chicken stealer, his Worship sentenced the man to three months' hard labour.

As a Singapore banishment automatically applies in Hong Kong, the prisoner will be banished from the Colony for life upon completion of his jail term.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

July 5—Queen's Theatre; "The Beloved Rogue."

July 5—World Theatre; "The Wizard of Oz."

July 5—Tea Dance Cafe Restaurant; Parisien, 4.30 p.m.

July 5—Isako's Circus, New Wanchai 9.15 p.m.

July 4—Wilbur Players at Star Theatre, Kowloon present "Spooks."

July 9—Second promenade concert, Lee Gardens, 9.30 p.m.

Sport.

July 5—First Night Swimming Fete of the season at V.R.C. 9 p.m.

Meetings.

July 7—Annual meeting of the Hong Kong Radio Society, "South China Morning Post" Bldg., 5.30 p.m.

July 7—Meeting of Legislative Council.

Lammert Auction.

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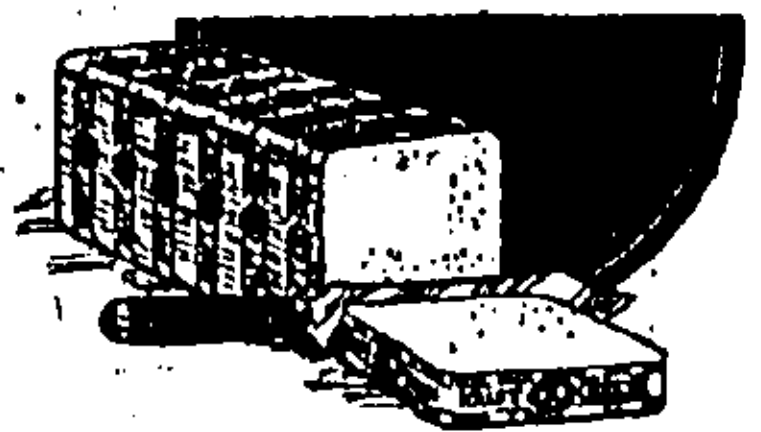
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The Hong Kong Government has received a notification from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the effect that the Naval Prize Fund will be closed finally ten years from April 21, 1920, the date when distribution began. No further claims will be received after April 20, 1930.

The French President, M. Doumergue, when congratulating the famous stunt flier Doret on winning a cup at the Vincennes meeting, asked him if he ever experienced fear. "Oh, no," replied Doret. "I have Alfred with me." "Alfred" is a large white velvet penguin, which M. Doumergue autographed.

A large octopus suddenly emerged from the sea at Cadagues (Spain), says the Madrid correspondent of "The Times," and attacked a girl lying on the beach, seizing her by the skirt. The onlookers were terrified, but the girl, with great self-possession, slipped out of her dress, and the octopus, with the garment still gripped in its tentacles, went back into the sea.

There will be a meeting of the Legislative Council on Thursday afternoon when the Attorney-General will move the second reading of the Bill to declare and amend the law relating to illegal strikes and lock-outs, to amend the law relating to intimidation and to branches of contracts of service in certain special cases, to promote the independence of Trade Unions established within the Colony, and for purposes connected with the aforesaid purposes.

It is customary to deplore that Mayfair no longer shows the wealth of marguerites and pink geraniums which were usual during the season in Edwardian days, but there is to-day much more real gardening and a keener delight in flowers than there was then (says the "Evening Standard"). This is no doubt partly due to the clearing of the atmosphere, which has made London gardening a less hopeless task. We still suffer, however, from the Victorian assumption that anything evergreen was suitable for town growth, and far too many gardens and squares are made gloomy by the holly and ivy and laurel which emphasise the squalor of town rather than echo the freshness of the country.

A young Japanese journalist, Mr. Hachiro Yamada, has just arrived in London after walking through China, Russia and Europe. He is on a walking tour of the world, and will leave shortly for South America. He gave a lecture on his experiences at the Japanese Club in London.



Helen Wills, who recently sailed for Europe, where she will try to regain the tennis laurel lost during her illness of last summer. She will meet all the noted players of Europe.

A real-life sheik story comes from Damascus. The Emir Shatan, one of the most powerful and noted of the Bedouin chiefs, met an English Girl Guide and fell in love on the spot. He offered to marry her, making her "Queen of the Desert," to which she consented. The British Consul, however, thinking that the Emir had kidnapped the girl, secured her return, accompanied by her lover, to Damascus, where she officially declared that she had married the Sheik because she loved him. The couple then returned to the desert unmolested.

The balance due under a claim which was first heard twenty years ago, was sued for at the Summary Court yesterday. The claim is for \$188; balance alleged to be due on the price of fowls sold to a Chinese stallholder at Hungghom.

A smart and efficient sentry of the Suffolk, says the "North China Daily News," stopped a foreigner who had walked the full length of what used to be the Football Club's ground at the Race Course, and quietly, but firmly, asked him first to put out his pipe, and then to note in future that that particular section was reserved strictly "for members of His Majesty's Forces only." It was not a flying period, but the sentry said orders were that the area was closed to civilians at all times. One does not remember seeing an order to this effect and there is not a sentry at the Race Club side to stop one walking on to the ground, but, as none will wish wilfully to offend against military orders, note might be taken of the ruling.

An agreement has been reached between London and Washington about what may be called for short "the Borah claims" for compensation. Last year Senator Borah conceived the project of demanding compensation from the British Government for damage done to American shipping by the blockade operations of the British fleet during the period before the United States entered the war. For some time Senator Borah was hardly taken seriously, either on that side or on this, partly because such a demand wore an outrageous air, partly because after 1917 the American fleet itself was sinking neutral shipping. The principle of the agreement now reached is that the British Treasury agrees to pay the United States Treasury a certain small sum of about a quarter of a million for damage done, and that the United States Treasury agrees to pay the British Treasury a like sum on account of British counter-claims. Nobody will pay anything. It seems a highly innocuous solution.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Commander Brian Leonard Geoffrey Sebastian, R.N., Royal Naval Dockyard, Hong Kong, to Miss Cicely Grace Millar, c/o 172, The Peak.

Re-sealing of letters of administration to the local attorney of the husband and son has been granted in respect of the \$67,500 estate left in Hong Kong by Mrs. M. Norton Whiteway, late of Feltham Lodge, Felton, Middlesex, who died intestate on January 12 this year.

Mr. T. G. Weall has been elected Vice-President of the European Y.M.C.A. Kowloon, in place of Mr. A. S. D. Cousland, who has left the Colony. Mr. Weall is also Acting President during the absence of Sir Henry Pollock on holiday. Vacancies having occurred on the Board of the Association, Messrs. P. S. Cassidy, W. E. Smith, M. M. Murray and D. O. Russell have agreed to serve.

It is curious how cake fashions change and how they are influenced by home and dress fashions (says a "Daily Telegraph" writer). The elaborate decorations once seen on cakes are seldom used nowadays except for ceremonial occasions such as a wedding or a christening. The modern cake-maker must have an artistic sense, for delicate colourings and simple designs used to ornament good cakes nowadays. A society woman will often order her cakes to tone with her tea-cloth and service. Yellow, mauve, and pale green iced cakes are frequently chosen to match the hostess's linen and china. Sometimes contrasting shades are introduced in the design of the cake. This idea at least lends a touch of novelty to the modern tea party. Lemon, orange, and pineapple fillings are very popular at present. Chocolate iced cakes are still far and away the most popular. Men like fruit cakes better than anything else, while, since the fashion for slim figures came in, women have become very small cake eaters. People are not so much inclined to "make a good tea" now that the evening meal is more and more considered the most important of the day. While tea-drinking will never go out of fashion, eating at tea time is often confined nowadays to a scone or a small piece of cake.

According to the request of Marshal Foch's son-in-law, Colonel Fournier, the French Council of State has issued a decree permitting the three grandchildren of Marshal Foch to bear the name Fournier-Foch.

Rumour dies hard, and those who insinuated matrimonial motives to the Prince's recent visit to Spain are now endeavouring to see something significant in the fact that the Imperial suite at Claridge's has been engaged for the King and Queen of Spain and their daughters when they come to London. There is nothing at all unusual in this arrangement, explains a Home paper. The King and Queen of Spain have stayed at Claridge's before, and their children also have been guests there. But this very usual arrangement is sufficient for the gossips.

Captain G. N. C. H. A. Macartney and Lieutenant W. A. Woods have been appointed First and Second Aides-de-Camp respectively to H.E. the Governor of the Straits Settlements.

The illustrious exile of Doorn must be quite the richest German living. A German correspondent estimates his fortune in personality alone at fifty million marks, mostly saved from his civil list, and all very shrewdly invested. A large portion is in foreign stocks, which must have needed superintelligent selection, seven millions are in first-class Berlin mortgages, and three-quarters of a million in bearer-bonds of limited liability companies, including the North German Lloyd, Deutsche Bank, Disconto Gesellschaft, Darmstadt Bank, etc. But if the Kaiser ever invested in Krupps, he was shrewd enough to realise at the right moment.



King Alfonso XIII, who recently celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his coronation as King of Spain, and also his forty-third birthday, since he was born May 17, 1886. Alfonso has been King longer than any other monarch now living, for he was born a king although not crowned until he was sixteen. Alfonso was born six months after the death of his father.

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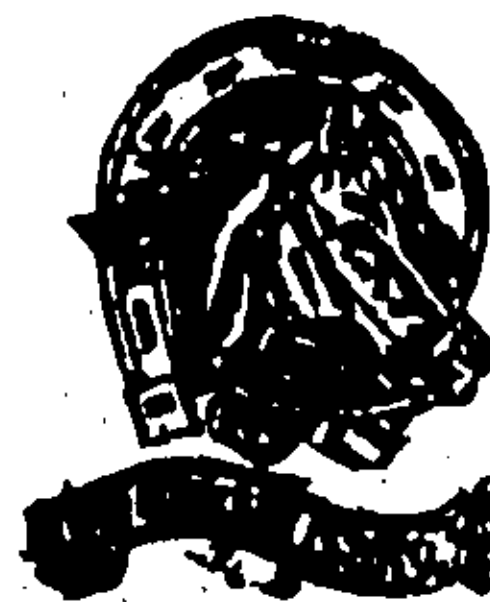
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SPORTS SECTION

WIMBLEDON FINALS.

TILDEN AND HUNTER WIN
DOUBLES.

HOLDERS' HARD FIGHT.

Wimbledon, July 4.
In the final of the men's open doubles, Tilden and Hunter beat the holders, Cochet and Brugnon 1-6, 4-6, 8-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Wimbledon was packed with a very exciting crowd when after a brilliant exhibition Brugnon and Cochet led by two sets to nil, with the score 5-4, and 40-15 registered. The Americans fought back most pluckily and received a great ovation on winning the third set.

After that the game was contested at an amazing pace in which volley, drive and smash were punched from racket to racket in a series of crisp rallies which slackened when the French pair, tiring, lost their rock-like steadiness.

The Americans were leading for the first time when the sets were two all and they had the first game in the next.

Tilden scored with many aces and the Americans played a really inspired game exhausting their French opponents.

Godfree's Win.
Mr. and Mrs. Godfree reached the semi-finals, beating Condon and Mrs. Peacock 6-4, 6-4.

In the fourth round Hunter and Miss Ryan beat Mr. and Mrs. Lycett 6-3, 6-2, thus reaching the semi-final.

Britons Lose.
In the semi-final of the women's doubles Miss Wills and Miss Ryan beat Mrs. Godfree and Miss Nuttall 6-2, 6-2.—Reuter.

LOCAL GOLF.

CAPTAIN'S CUP GAMES AT
FANLING.

In the Captain's Cup competition at Fanling on July 2-4, T. S. Whyte Smith qualified with 88—10 = 78.

Other scores were:—A. E. Lissaman 92—11 = 81; C. C. Stark 86—3 = 83; K. S. Morrison 92—14 = 84.

12 cards were taken out.
J. S. McLaren's score in the June Ecclectic competition was 29—3 = 26, and not 29—4 as stated.

LOUISE FORDYCE.

ONE OF BEST WOMEN
GOLFERS.

Pinehurst, N.C.
Louise Fordyce is one of the great players in the ancient Scotch game.

Considered by service as one of the best of ranking women golfers, she is never placed at the top because of her inability to last through the quagmires of tournament play.

She underwent a thyroid operation last year which she believes has stopped much of her nervousness in important matches. Anyway, in 1926 she turned in her first major victory at the expense of the national women's golf champion and elevated herself to a more commanding position in golfists' ranks.

Met Glenna.
"I have met Glenna Collect a great many times," Miss Fordyce relates. "I played her in 1922 in the North and South and she beat me. I met her in the Buffalo invitation tournament in 1921 and she won 4 and 3 after the match was all even at the 11th hole. Then again in the 1924 finals of the North and South, Glenna defeated me 3 and 4."

"So you can imagine how I felt when we were to play again last year in the finals. We were all even at the ninth. Then Glenna lost the next two holes. She won the 13th with a fine brassie shot to the green, but I took the 15th and we halved the next two. That is the greatest thrill I have had in golf just beating Glenna."

Shoots A 72.
Miss Fordyce has to her credit one of the lowest rounds ever made by a woman, the 72 she shot this past year over the Youngstown, O., course. As defending champion, she was eliminated in the North and South recently by a virtually unknown opponent, Mrs. F. C. Burrows, of New York, 4 and 2.

Her long iron shots are the best she plays and despite her nervousness, she is considered a dangerous opponent in any tournament.

T.T. RACE FATALITY.

RIDER'S SKULL
FRACTURE.

London, June 16.
While competing yesterday in the lightweight touring trophy, J. Cooke, the young Birkenhead rider, fell on the mountain road and fractured his skull.

He died in Douglas Hospital last night.

BRILLIANT ASCOT.

ROYALTY AT OPENING
MEETING.

FIRST DAY RESULTS.

London, June 14.
In a setting of emerald green, framed in golden sunshine, Ascot's opening day provided the most brilliant pageant of colour since the war.

Even the few refreshing rain-drops in the afternoon failed to subdue the glitter, as many-hued parasols and umbrellas immediately came into the riotous colour scheme.

The Royal cavalcade, comprising seven open landaus, in the first two of which were Their Majesties, the Prince of Wales, Prince Henry, Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles, arrived to the accompaniment of loud cheers, at 1-12 p.m., surrounded by gorgeously-attired outriders.

The Queen wore an ermine cloak over a blue gown, and a pale pansy hat, trimmed with pink and mauve flowers.

Princess Mary's toilette consisted of a rose-pink and grey wrap and pink hat.

"Ascot uniform" proved to be dazzlingly-coloured flowered, chiffon, crepe de Chine or lace, or a combination of both, with a wide-spreading crinoline or velvet hat.

The most striking contrast was provided by a reptilian scheme, including a lizard dress patterned with green and blue and dashed with silver.

A fashionable innovation was an ebony wand, tipped with carved ivory and tasselled with black silk, instead of the parasol.

Richards' Double.
Gordon Richards consolidated his position as the leading jockey by opening with a winning double, the first of which was on Lord Howard de Walden's Sundry at 100 to 8. This was a most unexpected win against the unplaced favourite, Hot Knight, with odds of 5 to 4 against.

Richards had a lucky escape in winning the Ascot Stakes, being nearly over the rails.

The Coventry Stakes were won at 7 to 1 by Lord Derby's Fairway, ridden by Weston.

The Gold Vase was won at 100 to 7 by Mr. Hoplock's Adieu, Henry up.

The Queen Mary Stakes were won at 5 to 1 by Major Macdonald's St. Adacora, H. Bensley up.

Ascot Stakes.

The following is the result of the Ascot Stakes:—

Duke of Buckingham... 1

Incitatus II... 2

Castle Derg... 3

Betting:—

11 to 2 against Duke of Buckingham.

100 to 7 against Incitatus II.

25 to 1 against Castle Derg.

Eighteen ran.

The winner won by three lengths, a head separating second and third.

HOME BOXING.

A PROMISING
FLY-WEIGHT.

Johnny Hill, the 21-year-old stone-mason of Leith, Scotland, won the fly-weight championship of Great Britain and the Lonsdale belt at the National Sporting Club in mail week by defeating Alf Barber, of Brighton, in the 14th round of a 20-round contest, the referee, Mr. C. H. Douglas, stopping the fight when Barber was painfully struggling up after he had previously taken a count of eight seconds. It was a merciful intervention, for Barber was so near to collapse that when he did arise he hardly could stand upright. The first thing he did, however, was to congratulate his conqueror. This was a gesture that was in keeping with the pluck he had displayed all through a trial of endurance that had gone against him.

AIRMEN-GOLFERS.

PLANE TRIP FROM COURSE
TO COURSE.

London, June 16.
Demonstrating the light aeroplane's capacity to enable golfers to traverse the country from course to course to play matches and to return home quickly over long distances, Captain Barnard (pilot) and Capt. Gordon Aston landed at Edgware in a D.H. Moth aeroplane at 9.40 last night after the completion of a thousand miles' air tour, costing a half-penny a mile, after playing at Sunningdale, Hoylake, St. Andrews, and Brancaster (Norfolk). The "aero-golfers" were enthusiastic about the success and comfort of their novel trip.

WONDER BATSMAN.

HAMMOND'S FEAT AT OLD
TRAFFORD.

"WHAT AN INNINGS!"

"It was an innings in which we had strength, bravery, sweetness, and speed. I have never before seen a batsman hit in front of the wicket against fast bowling. And it was all done with ease; power was given warm bloom. It was a picturesque batsmanship because of its proud poise, but it was a cricketing wrought out of steel."

"Cricket" whose articles delight "Manchester Guardian" readers day by day during the cricket season, had a wonderful description of Hammond's century at Old Trafford in mail week.

When Hammond came to the wicket at twenty minutes to twelve the game had swung round in Lancashire's favour; Dipper and Smith were both overthrown by Macdonald's lightning attack, and Gloucester were leading by only 45, with Hammond the one accomplished batsman left. He carried his burden of responsibility as though it were air; few other batsmen in such a situation would not have hunched themselves over their bats and looked worn and sorry.

The first ball Hammond got was from Macdonald; he cut it fiercely yet sweetly to third man, where Taylor stopped it, though the ball's force sent him reeling backwards. Then Hammond made one of the most astounding strokes I have ever seen. Macdonald hurled at him a ball of savage pace, pitched very short, and it bounced upwards towards Hammond, breast high.

A Master Stroke.
Hammond, quick as thought, drew his body away a little to the side, by a single movement of the right foot, and then with a horizontal bat smashed the ball straight and thunderously past the bowler to the distant boundary. And the other Gloucestershire batsman had to jump nimbly to save his shinbones from certain shattering.

When did our cricket fields last see a fast bowler driven straight from a short hitting ball? A moment afterwards the small crowd were roaring themselves hoarse for sheer joy and delight. In one over from Macdonald Hammond's bat made five warlike cracks: four, four, four, four!—from five successive balls. The last ball of the over—which Macdonald did not seem to know where to pitch—was also finely driven to the far off-side outfield, where a fieldman saved the boundary.

Cricket Art.

"Let it go!" cried a sportsman in the pavilion. This cricket lifted us out of narrow partisanship; art expelled from us the jealous possessors of the clan. But I must say that if there were many Hammonds knocking about our cricket fields I should have to go to my matches assisted by a clerk and a ledger—like a bookmaker. And it would be necessary for me to stand by him and give instructions: "Another four! Get it down! And another! Past point! Another—no, not that one! He's hit two more since then! Quick. Hurry! Where's your shorthand?"

The five consecutive boundaries from Macdonald were an art, a leg hit, and three cover drives, each of these last being back strokes of the right foot, from fast balls of a dangerous rising angle. They were whiplash hits, and the noise they sent over the field caused our blood to tingle. Wrist of iron, the eagle eye, the lion's heart—the gods be praised for Hammond, who has created the noble games anew!

Real Batmanship.

Old Trafford's crowd was radiant at the sight of real batmanship at last; perfect strangers talked to one another; our happiness had to be passed round. We were in the presence of art, and men's faces seemed lighted up from the inside. "I hope he gets 200," said somebody. "What about Lancashire?" I asked, to "draw him." "Oh, Lancashire be blown!" said he; "I was born at Throstle's Nest all right, but—oh, well hit, sir, well hit!—Lancashire be blown! This is cricket!"

Hammond scored 50 out of 61 in 40 minutes. Three-quarters of an hour later he swept royally to his hundred. Other batsmen, I believe, were on view at the other end of the wicket. I did not notice them; but the score card is positive that they were there. My eyes, and surely everybody else's, were all for Hammond.

Glorious Blaze.

After lunch the Lancashire attack concentrated on keeping Hammond quiet. Watson bowled wide to the leg side. None the less Hammond scored 46 in not much more than an hour. His innings went out in a glorious blaze. He smote a six into the pavilion from Watson.

Then in the next over, bowled by Iddon, he hit two sixes from successive balls, both off drives, and so careful, so majestic in swing, that one could only murmur, "Sweetness cometh out of strength." The following ball Hammond attempted yet another six, and was well caught on the boundary by Eckersley.

The Young Gods.

For concentrated strength Hammond's innings was one of the finest of my experience. Not an ounce of power seemed to go to waste; art directed the driving force of it all and gave to it clean outlines and lustre. Hammond made only two notable misdeeds—one in the nineties, and one when he was 147.

Another unforgettable stroke of Macdonald was from a ball which might have shattered his jaw, but, at the last second, and while our hearts jumped into our mouths, the white bat flashed triumphantly, again. What an innings! And what a game is cricket when the young gods amongst men play it! Old Trafford will think gratefully of Hammond for many a long day to come.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

A FILM ABOUT FRANCOIS
VILLON.

"BELOVED VAGABOND" FACTS.

Magnificent medieval scenes provide the settings for "The Beloved Vagabond," the notable film now showing at the Queen's Theatre. "The Beloved Vagabond" is based on the life of Francois Villon, a poet of poignant beauty who was also a thief, robber and murderer, haunting the vile places of Paris, flying from justice, condemned, imprisoned, tortured, almost executed, and vanishing at last, none knows how or where. The film rather idealises Villon, and while of course the story it gives of his life is to some extent imaginary, the main incidents are authentic. His father did die in Villon's youth, his mother did live to witness his fame, he was banished from Paris, he did have an affair with Catherine de Vancelles, he did become a member of a wandering thieves' gang, he did have relations with princesses of the blood, he did get foul of his enemy Thibault (who, however, was a bishop, not a count), he was cast into prison, and he did owe his release to Louis XI. Later he did get into trouble again, was tortured, and was sentenced to hang, to be banished instead—and to disappear. Thus the story of "The Beloved Vagabond," for all its imaginary touches, has a distinct historical interest. However it is the truly superb settings, especially Paris in the grip of winter—the poems of Villon, as Lytton Strachey has put it, produce the impression of some bleak, desolate landscape of snow-covered roofs and frozen roofs, shut in by mists, and with a menacing shiver in the air—it is the settings of medieval Paris, even more than the crowded story and the acting of John Barrymore, which give the picture its claim to greatness. There are, none the less, many other excellent points, among which there is only room to mention the brilliant portrayal of the crafty Louis XI and the grim impressiveness of the royal executioner.

FRENCH REDS.

A DEPUTY'S SURRENDER TO
JUSTICE.

Paris, July 4.
The Communist deputy Marcel Cachin, and four other persons implicated in anti-French propaganda, have surrendered and have been imprisoned.

Four others have obtained a postponement of their terms of imprisonment on various grounds, including the Communist Semard who was freed along with Daudet and who will surrender after a few days' grace owing to the death of his mother-in-law.—Reuter.

Deputies' Rights.
Marcel Cachin had no chance of being imprisoned than the Chamber of Deputies passed a Socialist motion in favour of his release during the remainder of the Parliamentary session, showing the determination of the majority of the Chamber to defend the principle of Parliamentary immunity, irrespective of persons.

Following the vote of the Chamber, Cachin was released in the evening.—Reuter.

JUBILEE TRAGEDY.

IMPRESSIVE OBSEQUIES AT
OTTAWA.

Ottawa, July 4.
Impressive obsequies were directed by the Dominion Government for the late Lieutenant Johnson. The body lay in state the whole morning in Parliament Building. The funeral service in the afternoon was attended by the Prime Minister, a representative of the Governor-General and the United States Minister. A carillon played the Dead March and the whole of the local garrison followed the bier to the railway station which was stripped of its Jubilee decorations and draped in mourning.

The special train bore the remains to the airman's home at Michigan, Lindbergh and the remaining eleven United States aeroplanes hovered over that train and dropped flowers.—Reuter.

AGED WOMAN'S SCALDS.

An 81-year-old Chinese woman was yesterday taken to the Government Civil Hospital from No. 4, Woo Hing Street suffering from scalds on the body. It appeared the woman was asleep in bed when a pot of boiling tea accidentally upset on her from a table by the side of the bed.

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SHARE MARKET.

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North China Insurance	T148
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China Fire Insurance	\$210
H.K. Fire Insurance	\$300
Shipping	
Douglases	\$31 1/2
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Indo-China (Pref.)	\$30
do. (Def.)	80
Shell Transport	98 1/2
Star Ferries	\$51 1/2 b \$52 1/2
Water-bots	\$16.20
Refineries	
China Sugars	\$18
Malayan Sugars	\$32
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Benguet	\$1.70
Kailan Mining Ad.	40/-
Langkat (amalg.)	T20 1/2
do. (Single)	T30
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Hongkew	\$145
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Shanghai Docks	T97 1/2
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Ewo Cottons	T7.35
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S'hai Cottons (Old)	T62
do. (new)	T25
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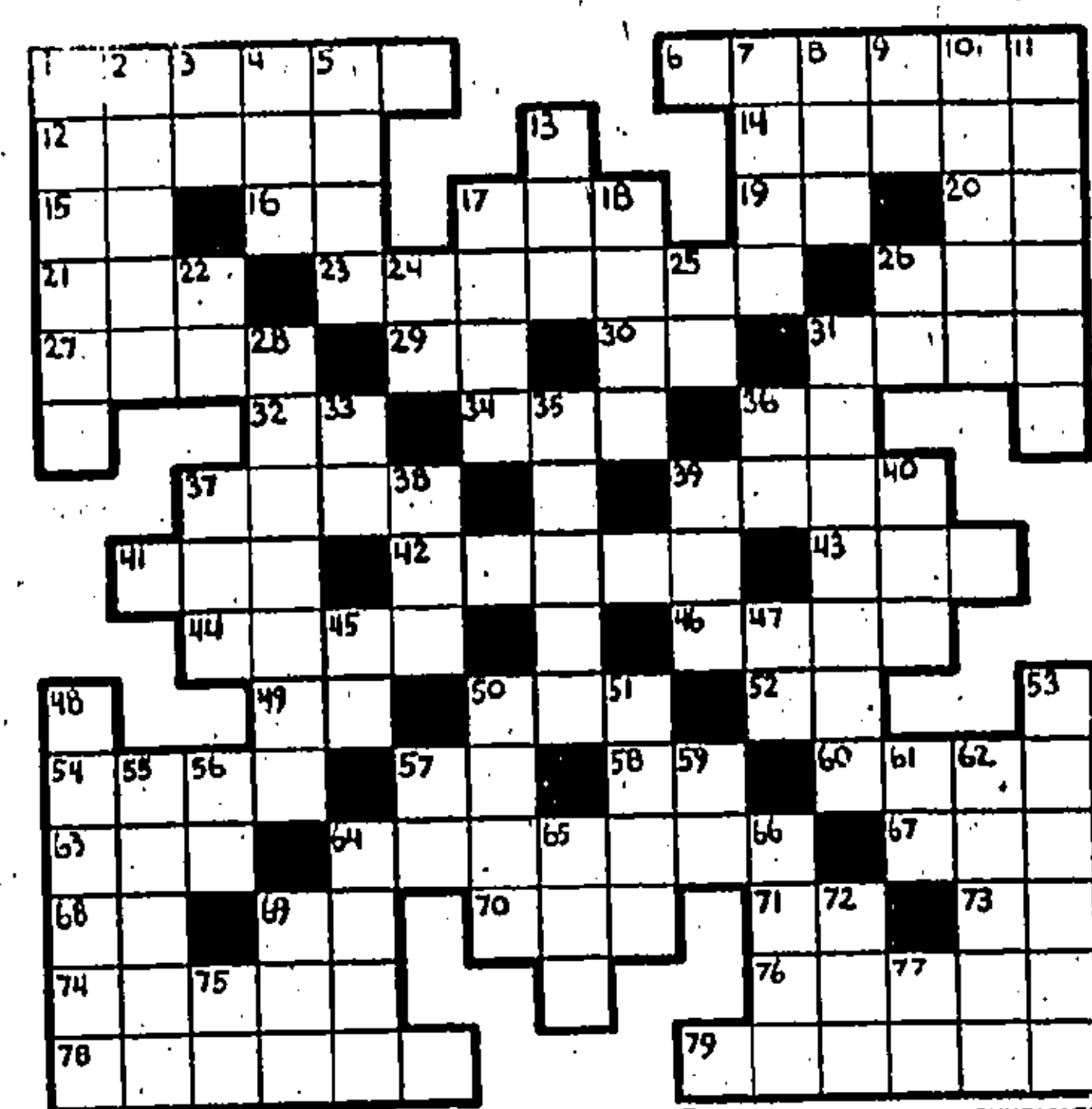
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-To dispute about trifling matters
- 6-Indigenous
- 12-To invest, as with some quality
- 14-More agreeable
- 15-Pref. Apart
- 16-Negative
- 17-Drunkard
- 19-Pronoun
- 20-Name unknown (abbr.)
- 21-Pref. For
- 23-Normal
- 25-To chance
- 27-A volcano in Italy
- 29-Sodium (chem. sym.)
- 30-Domestic animal
- 31-To stop
- 32-Pref. Two
- 34-Still
- 36-Close to
- 37-Capital of Norway
- 39-Pref. Half
- 41-Conjunction
- 42-Fragment
- 43-A negative
- 44-Spiritless
- 46-No (German)
- 49-"That is"
- 50-Goddess of mischief
- 52-Like
- 54-On
- 57-"fix. Form of

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

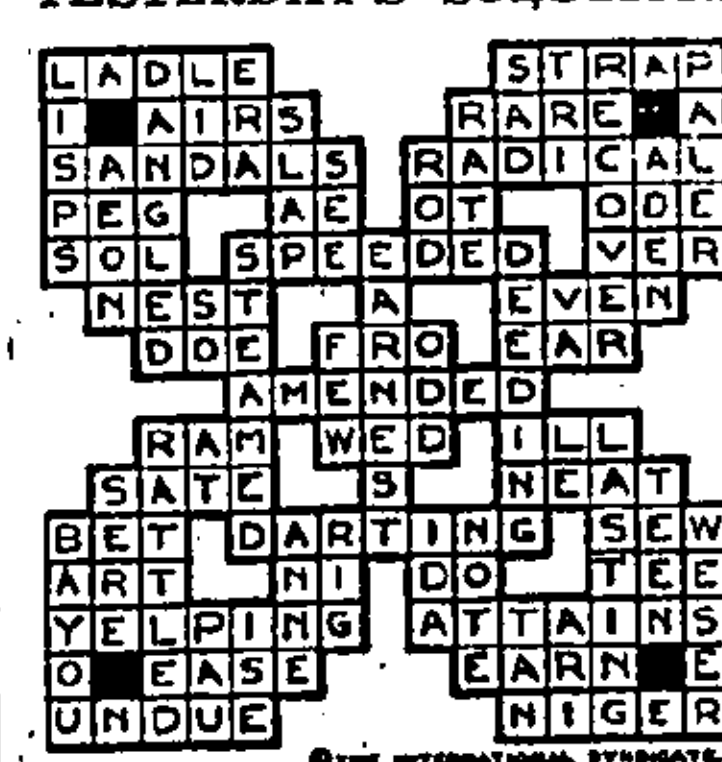
- 58-Pref. Down
- 60-A novice
- 62-To spoil
- 64-A whole
- 67-Ever (contr.)
- 68-Battalion (abbr.)
- 69-Pref. Form of
- 70-To comprehend
- 71-Pronoun
- 73-Half an em
- 74-To let
- 76-Silk material for veils
- 78-Pass away, said of time
- 79-To push

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 25-Interjection
- 28-To refrain
- 31-A writer of hymns
- 33-Pref. Form of
- 35-To choose for office by vote
- 36-To exist
- 37-Not concealed
- 38-To unclothe (poet.)
- 39-Lair
- 40-Suff. Same as "an"
- 45-Personal pronoun
- 47-Each (abbr.)
- 48-A fall
- 50-Branches of learning
- 51-Rim
- 53-Large social wasp
- 55-A picture on wood
- 56-Conjunction
- 57-into
- 59-Electrical engineer (abbr.)
- 61-Personal pronoun
- 62-Stagger
- 64-Frozen desserts
- 65-Even (contr.)
- 66-The wife of Boaz (Bible)
- 69-A serpent
- 72-Pref. Same as "super"
- 75-Associate of Arts (abbr.)
- 77-Girl's name (short)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



this is one direction in which you young musicians can triumph over broadcasting."

Sir George Hume, M.P., last year's chairman of the London County Council, who presented the prizes, said that when he was a small boy they used to think it a great thing if they could play with one finger "The Elf in the" or Mozart's "Invitation to the Dance." The London County Council realized how much hidden talent there was in young England, and during recent years had been making a special effort to dig it out.

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RADIO TOPICS

BEAM WIRELESS.

Future in the World Considered.

CHAINS OF NEW STATIONS.

At one stage in the development of wireless amateurs were restricted to practising with wave lengths of 300 metres or under, which was then deemed to be the non-commercial sphere for transmission. Sir Robert Donald, G.B.E., LL.D., in the "Daily Telegraph," experiments soon proved that, within limits, the shorter the wave length the longer were the distances which could be covered. Senatore Marconi, who had been experimenting during and immediately after the war, by his long and patient demonstrations placed short wave transmission on a practical and commercial basis. One might say that the position is now reversed, and that the non-commercial wireless is that which uses long waves. It is doubtful whether more stations of the Rugby type will be erected except for universal broadcasting on a non-commercial basis. It looks as if the future lay with the Beam. The success of the short wave direct, or Beam, has been unexpected by wireless experts outside this country, who questioned Senatore Marconi's optimism and took a sceptical view of his experiments. He and his colleagues may now feel proud of their triumph, as Beam stations are springing up all over the world, some of them being built on behalf of companies which a few years ago had no faith in the system. If the Beam stations erected for the Post Office by the Marconi Company had failed, the result would have been disastrous for that corporation. As it is, it seems as if the Beam were to bring it renewed prosperity.

Empire Chain.

As far as the British Empire is concerned, we are within sight of the completion of the major Empire chain. The Canadian Beam service is now carrying about 140,000 words per week. The Australian service is living up to its early promise, but it must not be assumed that these two or other stations are likely to work at fullest capacity or at greatest efficiency during the first few months of operation. In a new and revolutionary development of this kind there are unforeseen snags which must be overcome, and research and experiments inevitably go on after the system is working. To attain precise unity of working and the same standard of manual dexterity in stations separated by half the world is a difficult task, and it must be remembered that the Post Office, in securing itself absolutely against risk, does not complete paying for the stations, or relieve the Marconi Company of its responsibility, until six months after the stations have been operating. It may therefore be said that tests continue for six months.

The next station in the Empire chain to be opened is that for communicating with South Africa. The official tests for this station have begun. The corresponding stations in England are at Bodmin and Bridgwater, in association with the Canadian stations. On this side the Grimsby and Skegness stations are ready to begin operating with India, but it will be a month before the stations in India are thoroughly complete. It has been necessary to change wave lengths in this case and to alternate between 16.816 and 34.168 metres. It takes about twenty minutes to change over. These are the major stations in the Empire chain included in the Government plan, erected in England by the Marconi Company and by its associated companies in the Dominions. New Zealand is still without a wireless policy, which is surprising in the case of this enterprising Dominion. It showed caution by not following the example of Australia and South Africa in committing itself in the first instance to costly high-power stations, but there is no reason why it should hesitate longer in having its own stations for direct communication with England. Newfoundland, one of the great centres for Empire communication, is also without its own wireless service.

Linking Up Vast Areas.

Besides these main stations, inter-Imperial communication will

be established. Stations are now being built to put Australia and Canada into direct communication with each other. Under its wireless concession from the Egyptian Government the Marconi Company will erect Beam stations for communication with India and England. It looks as if Egypt may become a wireless Clapham Junction. There was keen competition between the Eastern Telegraph Company and Marconi for the Egyptian concession, which included the taking over of the obsolete Post Office station near Cairo, erected under the former Empire scheme, for communicating with London. With stations in the north and south of Africa and in India, it is obviously necessary that the circuit should be enlarged, and that wireless communications should be established between all the British possessions in Africa. The Portuguese Government is ahead of us in having only a few weeks ago inaugurated a wireless service between Lisbon and its African colonies. Other scattered territories within the British Empire are being linked up with wireless. The West Indies, formerly isolated, are now united by cables and wireless, all under British control. The network is being extended by new stations linking up Bermuda and Jamaica. We may look forward in the early future to the adoption of cheap wireless as the medium for bridging over the vast spaces within the Empire, as in the Continent of India, in Australia, and in the Canadian North-West. Simultaneously with the erection on behalf of the British Government of stations in England for communicating with South Africa, India, Australia, the Marconi Company is erecting a large multiple Beam centre at Dorchester, which will include seven transmitting stations for communication with the United States, Brazil, Buenos Aires, Egypt, the Far East, and elsewhere. It is a further tribute to the success of the Beam that the big Radio Corporation of America has given the Marconi Company an order to install a Beam station in the United States on its behalf.

Beam stations are being adopted to a large extent under the concession obtained by the Marconi Company from the Portuguese Government for connecting up Europe with the Portuguese possessions. One chain of stations has been completed: two Beam stations at Lisbon will communicate with Beam stations in the Portuguese colonies communicating with Mozambique and Louanda. There will also be stations at Madeira, the Azores, and at Cape Verde, while a long-wave station at Lisbon is erected for communicating with the rest of Europe. The Portuguese system was officially inaugurated in the presence of the President and Prime Minister on April 30.

A Promising Sphere.

The South America continent is also a promising sphere for wireless development. At present it costs more to telegraph direct from England to Buenos Aires than it does to send a message to that country via New York, down the west coast of the United States, across Central America, down the west coast of South America, over the Andes to Buenos Aires. In a short period there will be direct wireless communication from England to Buenos Aires. That city will also be put in direct communication by wireless with Rio. Rapid developments may be expected with short-wave wireless throughout the whole of South America, where the Marconi Company's activities include running the whole postal, telegraph, and wireless services in Peru. A heavy loss under State operation has been turned into a substantial profit, and, following upon this, example, Peru's neighbour, Bolivia, has just granted a similar concession to Marconi.

The Eastern Telegraph Company, which lost the Egyptian concession, defeated Marconi in competing for the wireless concession in Greece, and the Marconi Company is now building a station for its successful rival. It is significant that this great cable company should enter into the wireless sphere. There are other developments in Beam wireless, notably one of the large European companies has just given an order to Marconi to erect a station in place of the provisional and incomplete station which it has already been operating. It looks as if the short-wave system, directional or otherwise, will be adopted all over the world, except for official purposes by Governments or for universal broadcasting.

TELEVISION.

BRITAIN LEADING IN THE RACE.

A SCOTSMAN'S INVENTIONS.

Mr. John L. Baird had succeeded in transmitting by wireless from London to Glasgow, a distance of 438 miles, the moving face and figure of a speaker, and at the same time recording on a loud-speaker the sound of his voice.

Mr. Baird's experts will leave for America to carry out trans-Atlantic tests. Thus Mr. Baird will challenge the Americans on their own ground.

Up till the time of the London-Glasgow test the record was held by the American Telegraph Co., whose officials last April "televised" the U.S. Secretary for Commerce (Mr. Hoover) from Washington to New York, a little over 200 miles. Mr. Hoover's voice was heard as well.

This transmission was effected by wire, however, whereas that of Baird was carried out by wireless.

Baird appears to fulfil the popular idea of an inventor. A Scotsman, he preserved great secrecy about essential parts of his television system although he frequently gives public demonstrations. On one occasion representatives of a prominent British scientific body attended his laboratory in London to witness a demonstration, and were amazed to find that parts of his apparatus consisted of biscuit tins, bits of wire, and even string. In appearance it was crude, but it worked.

Played Lone Hand.

One reason for the unbusiness-like appearance of his instruments was that Baird preferred to make the different parts himself rather than to get others to do so. When he came across a problem, electrical, optical, or algebraical, the solution of which was necessary to his progress, he employed no expert, but studied the subject himself.

For these reasons his advance has been slow, but it is evident that he has now succeeded. A year ago his invention was taken over commercially by a firm called Television, Ltd.

It is not always wise to indulge in wireless forecasts, but it seems safe to prophesy that within five years an important part of nearly every receiving set will be a small screen, on which will appear the face or figure of the broadcasting artist.

BEAM SYSTEM HOPES.

When the wireless station at Eindhoven, in Holland, recently broadcast on a wave length of 32.37 metres, Mr. Raymond Allsop, chief engineer of the broadcasting station at Sydney, by means of a three-valve short wave receiver picked up the programme at 4 p.m. at his house at Coogee.

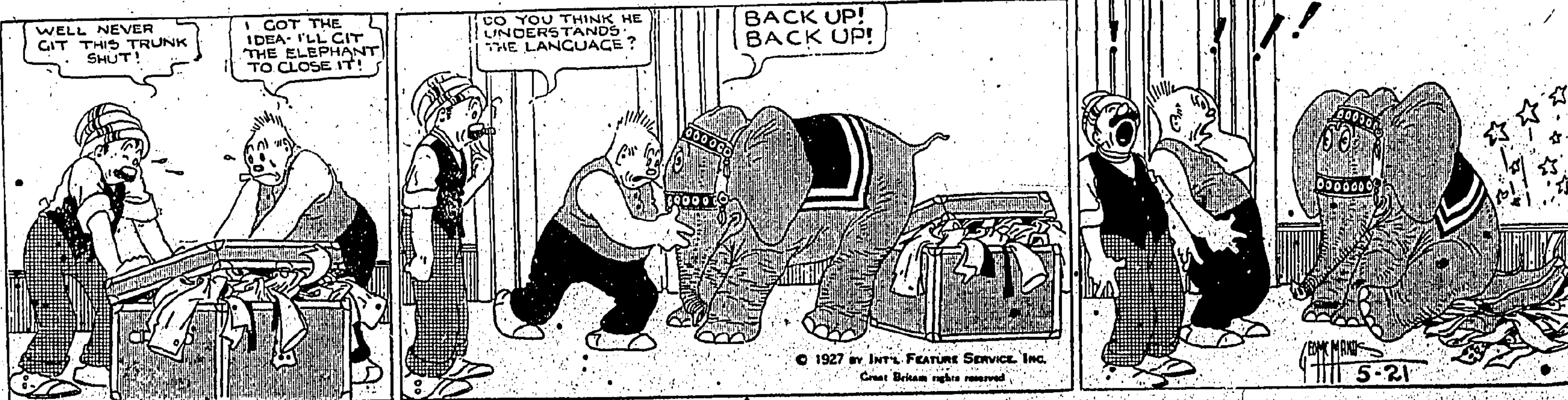
He then relayed to the broadcasting station, where it was amplified and rebroadcast. The reception was excellent.

Experts declare that it is easy to pick up overseas broadcasts, but Mr. E. T. Fisk, managing director of the Amalgamated Wireless Company, believes that the beam system offers the best hope of a regular service. It will not be surprising if it is attempted next year.

MORE MUSIC IN THE HOME.

A plan for more music in the home was made by Dr. John Warmer at the annual presentation of prizes and certificates to students of Trinity College of Music (London Centre) at the Central Hall, Westminster. "I would like to see a greater endeavour to bring more music into the home," said Dr. Warmer, who is the chairman of the London Centre of the college. "In days gone by every member of the family could contribute to a musical programme in the home, but that has been gradually dying. One thing wireless cannot do is play an accompaniment for a singer, and

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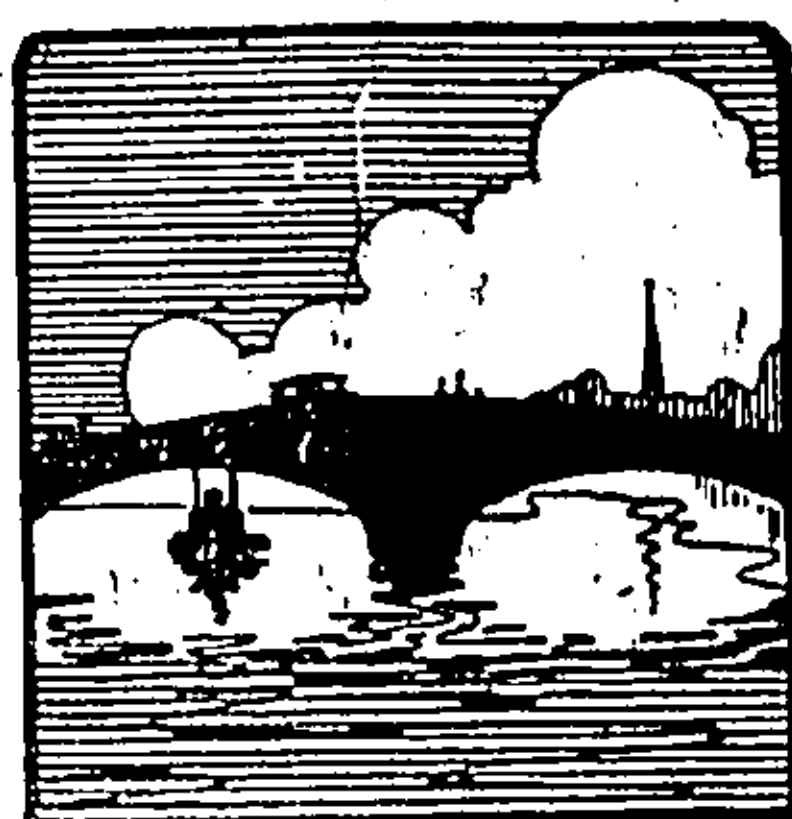
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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Struck over the heart by a cricket ball when he was batting at Consett, Durham, John Robert Stephenson, aged 27, collapsed and died.

Mr. Percy Camp, secretary of the Kent County Ophthalmic Hospital at Maidstone, was found dead at the hospital with his throat cut.

Injured when his companion, Arthur Williams, aged 14, was killed while searching for seagulls' eggs on the cliffs at Clough-ton, near Scarborough, Frank Anderson, aged 15, died without having regained consciousness.

The trustees have approved the purchase for the Department of Minerals, Natural History Museum, South Kensington, of a magnificent crystal of beryl (aquamarine), of gem quality, weighing 2,505 grammes (12,625 carats), from Brazil.

Two pictures by H. Fantin-Labour—"Roses in a Vase" and "Dahlias in a Glass Jug"—realised £609 and £462 respectively at Christie's.

The body of the yachtsman which was washed ashore at Mundesley, Norfolk, was identified as that of Mr. J. Haynes, of Hammersmith, W.

By a resolution members of Manchester City Council will be allowed to speak only five minutes on any subject unless their colleagues consent to an extension.

As a sequel to a collision between a lorry and a motor-car belonging to Mr. Segrave, of High Park Square, W., father of the racing motorist, Norman Cowper, chauffeur, who was driving the car, was remanded at Barnet, Hertfordshire, on a charge of being drunk and driving to the public danger.

At one time in a day in mail week omnibuses were leaving the underground station at Morden for the course at Epsom at the rate of five a minute.

The Ministry of Health doctors have been unable to discover the cause of the mysterious food poisoning among eight members of the House of Lords staff recently.

The Prime Minister visited Stourport, Worcestershire, to open the Shropshire, Worcester-shire, and Staffordshire Electric Power Company's power station there.

Because the heavy rain made an outdoor ceremony impossible the presentation of new colours by the King to the Irish Guards at Buckingham Palace was postponed a day.

With a bottle of disinfectant by his side, a man whose home was at Scunthorpe, Lincolnshire, was found in S. Andrew's Church, Grimsby, and died later in the day in hospital.

For rescuing a servant girl from a burning house in Shooters Hill Road, Blackheath, S.E., on April 30, Police-Constable Albert Turpin, 504 R, was presented with £10 at Bow Street.

Having retired after 28 years' association with the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Sir Robert Parr has been succeeded as director by Mr. W. J. Elliott, assistant director.

Following the death of his wife Charles Mills, aged 40, electrical engineer, of Charles Street, Brumpton, Derbyshire, was found on the railway line at Chesterfield, Derbyshire, having been killed by an express.

It is a perfectly wicked thing to have a motor-car and not insure against accidents, for it may accidentally kill or injure someone who leaves a widow and children.—Judge Sir Alfred Tobin at Westminster County Court.

With 403½ points out of a possible 545 the Southern Railway (Waterloo "A") team at the Connaught Rooms, W., won the challenge shield presented by the St. John Ambulance Association for first-aid work by railway teams.

In place of Mr. Neil McLean, the present Socialist M.P. for the Govan division of Glasgow, the selection committee of the Govan I.L.P. have decided to recommend Councillor T. A. Kerr as Socialist candidate at the next general election.

When the King and Queen saw the "Blue Train" at the Prince of Wales Theatre, Miss Lily Elsie, who plays the principal part, and Mr. Philip Ridgeway, the producer, were presented to their Majesties and were complimented on the production.

Inaugurated to provide extra accommodation for nurses and also to extend the general activities of the hospital, the centenary fund of the Royal Sussex Hospital, Brighton, has been promised a donation of £10,000 by Mr. Bernhard Baron, chairman of Carreras, Ltd.



One of the most unique registration places in the world for tourists is located in the Denny Creek Camp, where visitors can sign their names in a book kept in a huge cedar stump.

An appeal to Essex men and women to continue their efforts to further the interests of the Territorial Army was contained in a letter from Lord Lambourne, Lord-Lieutenant of the county, which was read at all the "Territorial Sunday" parades in Essex.

For exceeding the speed limit of 12 miles an hour, 455 omnibus drivers were prosecuted (36 of them on two occasions and two on three occasions) in the Metropolitan Police area during the year ended April 30, according to a written reply by Sir W. Joynson-Hicks, the Home Secretary.

In connection with its work of indicating houses in London where distinguished persons have lived, the London County Council has affixed a glazed ware tablet to No. 20, Queen Anne's Gate, S.W., to commemorate the fact that Lord Palmerston (1784-1865), who was Prime Minister from 1855 to 1858, was born there.

Better known in the musical world as Kenneth Alford, composer of the rousing march "Colonel Bogey," Mr. F. J. Ricketts, conductor of the 2nd Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders' band, will this month take over the bandmastership of the Royal Marines depot at Deal.

The summer holiday season at the Isle of Thanet resorts began when the "Crested Eagle" (General Steam Navigation Co.) and the "Royal Sovereign" (R.S. Steamship Co.) each left London Bridge with the largest number of passengers they have carried on the first trip of the season for many years.

For selling liquor without a licence at the Y. and E. Club, Ham-yard, Great Windmill Street, W., John Papani was, at Marlborough Street, sentenced to a month's imprisonment in the second division and fined £15, and Edward Wendt, the chef, was fined £30 and £20 costs and the club was struck off the register.

AT THE STAR.

"PARTNERS AGAIN" TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

From the start, these motion picture adventures of the argumentative business associates have enjoyed a success seldom accorded any motion picture effort. The public seemed hungry for laughs, and Mr. Goldwyn has released one each year.

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In the new and latest one, "Partners Again," the firm deals in automobiles. Just a little imagination will tell you the fun-making possibilities there. Not only do they risk life and limb in the demonstration of the terrible "Schenckmann Six," but the heartless author and scenarist decided that to cap the climax, they introduce the w.k. business men to aeroplanes and their idiosyncrasies. Needless to say, the merriment increases. As an aeronaut, George Sidney is a howl. He undoubtedly accomplishes more difficult

WORLD THEATRE.

"WIZARD OF OZ" TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

One of the most amusing and thrilling incidents in "The Wizard of Oz" is the sequence of scenes showing Larry Semon in a den of lions. No fewer than ten full grown Nubian lions were used and they were wonderful specimens of the "king of beasts." Larry Semon says that it is a good thing that he wore a white face make-up to conceal how white his own face really was under his make-up.

One of the most amusing characters in the Chadwick picture "The Wizard of Oz" is the character of the "Wizard" as portrayed by Charlie Murray the popular screen comedian. Mr. Murray says that this character is the very prototype of an old medicine show faker he used to know in the "palmy days" of the show business when Murray and Mack were headliners in the farce and musical comedy field.

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PLIGHT OF A VICAR.

RELIEF FROM BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

A Cornish clergyman, the Rev. M. O. Boyd, vicar of Perranzabuloe, near Truro, applied to the Truro Board of Guardians for temporary relief by way of loan.

He said his destitution was due to being without any income for an indefinite time through the working of the new Tithes Act. His was one of two parishes in Cornwall and Devon where peculiar difficulties occurred in connection with the new Act.

His stipend, he said, was just over £400, but the only income he could rely on getting until the end of the year was £18 2s. He was trying to get employment.

Mr. Hobbs, a Labour member of the board, considered it a scandalous thing that a former member of the board should be in that position.

It was decided to grant Mr. Boyd relief by a loan of £2 2s. per week.

The optimist is a barometer always stuck at "set fair," and the pessimist is a barometer always stuck at "stormy." No sensible man would give sixpence for either of them.—Dean Inge.

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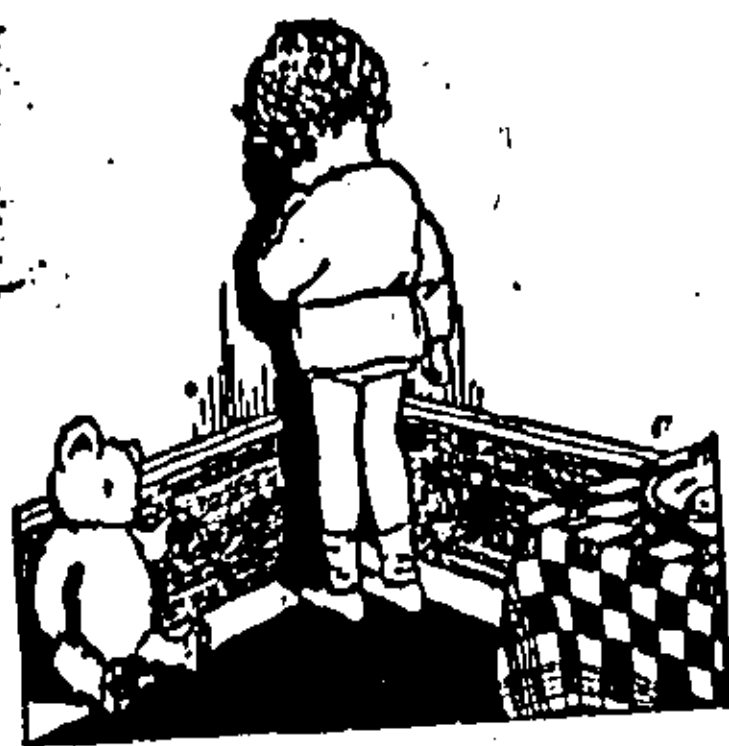
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Europe via Suez (letters & papers, London 9th June & parcels 2nd June)	Kashgar.
FRIDAY, JULY	8
Japan & Shanghai	Khiva.
Straits	Nyanza.
SUNDAY, JULY	10
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	President Lincoln.
MONDAY, JULY	11
Manila	Emp. of Asia.
MONDAY, JULY	18
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai	Empress of Canada.

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Tourane	Chungkong 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	Glenagie 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JULY	6
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Menado Maru 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Talkwa Maru 9.30 a.m.
*Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	Panama Maru 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Chaksang 10.30 a.m.
Straits & Calcutta. Parcels 11.30 a.m. Letters 12.30 p.m.	Taiwa.
Java via Batavia	Tjimanok 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan & Europe via Siberia	Kashgar 5 p.m.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Hanoi 5 p.m.
THURSDAY, JULY	7
Straits	Shunko Maru 10.30 a.m.
Amoy & Fochow	Hai Hong Noon
Straits & Mauritius	Seistan 2.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, JULY	8
Shanghai, Japan & Europe via Siberia	Nyanza 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	Hai Ching Noon
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A MOTHER'S FAITH.

Convinced Nungesser Lives.

AMERICAN LADIES' GIFT.

Paris, July 4. At the conclusion of a pathetic interview with Captain Nungesser's mother, who is still convinced that her son is alive, Commander Byrd handed her a cheque for G\$30,000 from the American ladies' help committee.—Reuter.

[Captain Nungesser started from Le Bourget, to fly to New York, accompanied by Captain Coll, in a huge aeroplane named the "White Bird," painted white to facilitate



CAPT. CHARLES NUNGESSER.

being spotted in the event of forced descent into the sea, with a black heart near the cockpit on which a skull and cross-bones and a coffin are daubed white, "to show I am not afraid," as Captain Nungesser explained. The plane soared out of sight and has not been seen since.]

Notable Luncheon.

Paris, July 4. M. Bleriot had luncheon with Commander Byrd and his colleagues. Chamberlin and Levine, the American Charge d'Affaires and members of the French Cabinet were present.—Reuter.

[Louis Bleriot is the French aviator who made history in July of 1909 by flying across the English Channel from Calais to Dover in his aeroplane. He won the "Daily Mail" £1,000 prize for the feat.]

Byrd's Flag.

Paris, July 4. Mr. Wanmaker has acceded to President Doumergue's wish that the flag flown on Commander Byrd's aeroplane should be deposited in the National Museum at Paris.—Reuter.

Stunt Flier's Crash. Mana, Hawaiian Islands, July 4. Richard Grace, the Hollywood aviator stunt flier, took off for San Francisco this morning but owing to rudder trouble returned within an hour.

The aeroplane crashed and was totally wrecked. Grace and a puppy, his companion, were not hurt.—Reuter's American Service.

Cheers For Lindbergh. Ottawa, July 4. Thousands of citizens cheered Captain Lindbergh as he took off in the "Spirit of St. Louis" for New York after a stay of two days at Ottawa escorted by a squadron of United States aeroplanes.—Reuter.

JULY FOURTH.

NOTABLE CELEBRATIONS IN PARIS.

ATLANTIC AIRMEN PRESENT.

Paris, July 4. American independence Day was celebrated in Paris in glorious weather, many Parisians enthusiastically joining in the celebrations. The visit to Lafayette's tomb in the morning was followed by a ceremony at the American War Monument and a march by American legionaries to the tomb of the Unknown Warrior.

There was a banquet in the evening at the American Chamber of Commerce at which six of the trans-Atlantic fliers at present in Paris, Chamberlin, Levine and Byrd and his three companions, were the principal guests.—Reuter.

FATAL HOTEL FIRE.

Yokohama, June 4. The Tent Hotel was destroyed by fire early this morning. One guest, a German, was burned to death. The damage is estimated at Yen 500,000.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 1/11 15/16.

A COMMON POOL.

Colonial Medical Research Service.

A VETERINARY INQUIRY.

London, July 4.

In the House of Commons, in answer to questions, Mr. L. M. S. Amery, Secretary for Colonies, said it was proposed that one of the first tasks of the Colonial Research Committee should be to consider the organisation of a colonial medical research service.

Mr. Amery added that another committee was being established to enquire into the condition of the colonial veterinary services, and doubtless it would consider the possibility of establishing a veterinary research service common to all the colonies, protectorates etc.

The question of constituting a colonial forestry research service was being deferred until after the Empire forestry conference at Melbourne in 1928.—Reuter.

The Colonial Conference approved a scheme of agricultural research and organisation. At the outset the report of the committee on colonial scientific and research service requested the Colonial Office to appoint a committee to work out a detailed scheme for submission to the Governments concerned. The Conference was of the opinion that the scheme could be initiated on an income of £175,000, of which a considerable portion would be the replacement of existing expenditure on the salaries of agricultural research officers. A preamble to the report said that the committee was appointed to prepare a scheme based on contributions to a common pool for the creation of a colonial scientific research service available for the whole Colonial Empire. It was decided to restrict the enquiry to medicine, agriculture, veterinary science, and forestry. Lord Lovat in a speech at the conclusion of the Conference said that the question of organisation of research was the biggest and most interesting of the Conference.

NAVAL PARLEY.

United States and Great Britain.

VIEWS OF AN ADMIRAL.

Geneva, July 4.

Admiral Jones, a member of the United States delegation to the Naval Conference, in a long address at a reception by the American Colony in celebration of Independence Day, emphasised America's need for naval parity with the greatest naval power.

He contended that the United States as well as Britain had to protect long sea routes and especially referred to her dependence upon imported manganese.

Admiral Jones concluded by hoping that equitable results would be reached by the present conference.—Reuter.

Japan's Attitude.

Tokyo, June 4. Viscount Saito having asked for instructions regarding the British proposal to divide cruisers into two classes, naval authorities are understood to be generally agreed that Japan is unable to accept the application of the five-five-three ratio for 10,000 ton ships or to restrict the calibre of guns for the 7,500 ton type to six inches, as already Japan has eight inch guns on 7,100 ton ships.

Alternatively it is expected that Viscount Saito will be instructed to propose to place six inch limitation on 7,000 ton ships and under.—Reuter.

FALL FROM VERANDAH.

Falling from the second floor verandah of No. 57, Connaught Road Central yesterday, a Chinese yesterday suffered a fractured leg. He was carried into the house by friends, and later taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

When the rope on which a large stone was being carried by several coolies at Taikeo broke yesterday, the stone rolled on one of the men who suffered a fractured leg. He is now in the Government Civil Hospital in a serious condition.

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